

Annual Reports

of the town of

GILFORD

New Hampshire



for the year ending

December 31, 2008

DEDICATION



The Gilford Board of Selectmen is honored to dedicate the 2008 Annual Report to Dick and Betty Persons in recognition of their long-standing commitment to enhancing the quality of life in the Town of Gilford.

Although the contributions made by Dick and Betty over the years have been substantial, the year 2008 brought about two spectacular achievements. First, the Town's magnificent new Library

opened on August 19, 2008. Shortly thereafter, a conservation easement was established on the Ramblin Vewe Farm to preserve this property in perpetuity for future generations. Both of these projects were made possible by the generosity and philanthropic foresight of Dick and Betty Persons.

Dick and Betty started out as high school sweethearts born and raised in Laconia. Dick served his country proudly in Korea and post-war Germany, while Betty worked and attended business school. Sometime in the early 60's they founded Persons Concrete and they worked together to successfully build this company into the leading source for concrete products throughout Northern New England (with a total of 7 redi-mix plants and 79 mixer trucks). They sold this business in 1998, but have yet to actually retire from a daily work routine.

To this day, Dick and Betty still work on their farm, tending sheep and lambs, haying and growing fruits and flowers. In 2007 the Ramblin Vewe Farm was recognized as a New Hampshire Farm of Distinction by the State Department of Agriculture. It is interesting to note that many Library patrons look forward to snacking on the fresh apples that are hand-picked and personally delivered from the Persons' Orchard.

Dick and Betty were awarded the Belknap County Conservation District's Cooperator of the Year in 2008 in recognition of their contributions towards the conservation of their farm and their leadership role in land preservation. They were also named as the Grand Marshalls of the 2008 Gilford Old Home Day parade.

The Town of Gilford is truly fortunate to have such outstanding and caring citizens whose benevolence is unmatched. On behalf of a grateful Gilford community, the Selectmen offer their humble thanks and best wishes.

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**Town Officers
2008**

**OFFICERS ELECTED BY BALLOT AT
TOWN MEETING**

Term Commencing on Day of Town Meeting

Three-Year Terms

SELECTMEN

Constance Grant, Chairperson	Term Expires 2009
Gus Benavides	Term Expires 2010
J. Kevin Hayes	Term Expires 2011

TOWN CLERK - TAX COLLECTOR

Denise A. Morrisette	Term Expires 2011
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TREASURER

Karen Saunders	Term Expires 2011
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Two-Year Term

MODERATOR

Peter V. Millham	Term Expires 2011
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Six-Year Terms

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Mary Lou Grevatt	Term Expires 2012
Nancy Marcoux	Term Expires 2014
Connie Moses, Chairperson	Term Expires 2010

Three-Year Terms

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Rick Moses	Term Expires 2010
Leo Sanfacon	Term Expires 2009
Wayne Snow	Term Expires 2011

Three-Year Terms

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Pauline (Polly) J. Sanfacon, Chairperson	Term Expires 2010
Tracey G. Petrozzi	Term Expires 2010
Weldon Bosworth	Term Expires 2011
Robert Kammeraad	Term Expires 2009
Daryl Thompson	Term Expires 2009

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Richard C. Hickok, Chairman	Term Expires 2009
Douglas Lambert	Term Expires 2010
William H. Phillips	Term Expires 2010
Terry Stewart	Term Expires 2011
Kevin Roy	Term Expires 2011
Susan C. Greene	Term Expires 2011
Dale Dormody	Term Expires 2010

David "Skip" Murphy	Term Expires 2009
John T. O'Brien	Term Expires 2009
Kevin Hayes, Selectmen Rep.	
Margo Weeks, School Board Rep.	
Richard Young, Gunstock Acres Village Water Dist. Rep.	

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

William R. Akerley, Chairman	Term Expires 2009
Philip A. Brouillard	Term Expires 2010
Don Spear	Term Expires 2011

OFFICIALS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John Goodhue, Chairman	Term Expires 2009
Douglas Hill	Term Expires 2010
Lee Duncan	Term Expires 2010
Thomas Drouin	Term Expires 2011
Lawrence Routhier	Term Expires 2011
Charles Coons	Term Expires 2011
Everett McLaughlin	Term Expires 2009
Paula McDonald, Alternate	Term Expires 2010
Rudolph Lehr, Alternate	Term Expires 2011
Donald Sibson, Alternate	Term Expires 2011
Carole Hall, Alternate	Term Expires 2009

PLANNING BOARD

Polly Sanfacon, Chairman	Term Expires 2009
Carolyn Scattergood	Term Expires 2011
Jerry Gagnon	Term Expires 2011
Richard Vaillancourt	Term Expires 2009
Richard Waitt	Term Expires 2009
John Morgenstern	Term Expires 2009
David Arnst, Alternate	Term Expires 2010

Connie Grant, Selectman

RECREATION COMMISSION

Thomas Francoeur	Term Expires 2010
Miriam York	Term Expires 2010
David Smith	Term Expires 2011
Richard Nelson	Term Expires 2009
Leo Sanfacon	Term Expires 2009
Lisa Manz-Buckley, Alternate	Term Expires 2010

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Andrew Howe, Chairman	Term Expires 2011
Donald Chesebrough	Term Expires 2009
Robert Dion	Term Expires 2009
Charles Boucher	Term Expires 2010
Philip LaBonte	Term Expires 2009

HISTORIC DISTRICT/HERITAGE COMMISSION

Julianne McConnell	Term Expires 2010
Troy Schrupp	Term Expires 2011
Carmel Lancia	Term Expires 2010
Mary Curtis	Term Expires 2009
Richard Waitt, Planning Board Rep.	
Gus Benavides, Selectman Rep.	

Two-Year Terms

INSPECTOR OF ELECTIONS

Rutha Helfrich (resigned)	Term Expires 2010
Evelyn Bray	Term Expires 2010
Shirley Snow (resigned)	Term Expires 2010
Donna Mooney	Term Expires 2010
Barbara Carey	Term Expires 2010
Diane Tinkham	Term Expires 2010
Doris MacHaffie (Alternate)	Term Expires 2010
Claire Stinson (Alternate)	Term Expires 2010

Town Administrator	Scott Dunn
Finance Director	Geoffrey Ruggles
Chief of Police	John Markland
Director of Public Works	Sheldon Morgan
Director of Planning and Land Use	John Ayer
Director of Recreation	Herbert Greene
Health Officer	Sheldon Morgan
Building Official	David Andrade
Director of Emergency Management	James Hayes

LAKES BUSINESS PARK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Rodney Dyer	Leo Sanfacon	Anthony Ferruolo
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OFFICIAL APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN AND TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Jennifer Mooney
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OFFICIAL APPOINTED BY THE TOWN TREASURER

Deputy Town Treasurer	Judith A. Morgan
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OFFICIAL APPOINTED BY THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Library Director	Katherine Dormody
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OFFICIAL APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

Fire Chief	James Hayes
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ELECTED OFFICIALS OF GUNSTOCK ACRES VILLAGE DISTRICT

Moderator	Robert Dion
Treasurer	Robert Dion
Clerk	Susan Dalton
Commissioners	Robert Dalton
	John O'Brien
	Howard Epstein

TOWN OF GILFORD TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY FIRE DEPARTMENT	911
EMERGENCY POLICE DEPARTMENT	911
MEDICAL AID	911
Appraisal Department	527-4704
Building Inspector	527-4727
Conservation Commission	527-4727
Department of Planning & Land Use	527-4727
Finance Department	527-4700
Fire Station (Business Number)	527-4758
Health Officer	527-4778
Highway Department	527-4787
Historic District Commission	527-4727
Landfill/Recycling Center	293-0220
Library	524-6042
Parks and Recreation Department	527-4722
Parks and Recreation Program Announcement Line	527-4723
Planning Board Office	527-4727
Police Department (Business Number)	527-4737
Public Works Department	527-4778
Selectmen's Office	527-4700
Sewer Division	527-4778
Town Administrator	527-4700
Town Clerk-Tax Collector	527-4713
Zoning Board of Adjustment	527-4727

**Activity Reports
of
Officers, Officials,
Boards, Committees
and
Commissions**

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Many significant events took place during the year 2008 and we are pleased to be able to look back with a sense of accomplishment and the hope that we have contributed to the betterment of the Gilford community.

The Gilford Board of Selectmen is a committee of three elected representatives that serve as the governing body for the Town under NH State Law. It is interesting to note that our role differs from that of the legislative body, which in most cases is represented by a simple majority vote at Town Meeting.

The past year consisted of several notable transitions. The addition of Kevin Hayes to the Board Selectman has been a positive influence on overall town governance. In 2008 the Selectmen appointed a new Town Administrator, a new Finance Director, a new Deputy Police Chief, and several new employees scattered throughout our workforce. We are extremely proud of the work done by our dedicated employees and feel fortunate to preside over such a fine group of people that truly care about the services they provide to our taxpayers.

Perhaps the most momentous event in the Town of Gilford over the past year was the opening of our new library thanks primarily to the generosity of Richard and Betty Persons, and the perseverance of a core group of volunteers who serve as Library Trustees and members of the Friends of Gilford Library. Once again the Selectmen feel fortunate to be able to associate with such an inspiring group of citizens.

Some of the other noteworthy endeavors in 2008 include: a reduction in the number of full-time employees, ratification of 2 union contracts (DPW and Police), adoption of a Hardship Abatement Policy, adoption of an Investment Policy, adoption of new Personnel Policies and improved contractual arrangements for assessing and information technology services.

Rest assured the Selectmen are well aware of the difficult financial times that are affecting people from every segment of the community. And although we are striving to deal with fluctuating energy costs, a diminishing town-wide valuation and escalating expenses for the basic necessities of life such as health care and groceries; we remain optimistic about the Town's future as characterized by our unique quality of life and the beauty of our natural surroundings.

Looking ahead, the Selectmen are poised to amend the Town Beach Regulations, adopt a new Vendor Permit Policy and we will be working to tweak the budget administration process to ensure the efficient and effective use of our tax dollars. Our primary objective for 2009, however, is to work towards an affordable and permanent resolution to the space needs of the Police Department in combination with a plan to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels based on the recommendations of our Facility Planning Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

The Gilford Board of Selectmen
Connie Grant, Chair
Gus Benavides, Vice-Chair
Kevin Hayes, Clerk

REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

I am honored to serve as the Gilford Town Administrator and consider it a privilege to be able to submit this 2008 year-end report to the citizens of Gilford.

My journey to being appointed in August of 2008 began with a friendly inquisition by a citizen committee search panel, then through a panel of department managers and ultimately led to a series of final interviews with the Board of Selectmen. I must say that I felt completely at-ease along each step of the way and I am now proud to call Gilford my home.

Since coming on board, I have spent time trying to get to know our staff, civic leaders, community volunteers, citizens who come by Town Hall and the existing ordinances, regulations and general expectations for government services.

Some of the projects that I have worked on include: 2009 budget and Town Meeting preparations, union negotiations with Public Works and Police Department representatives, re-writing the Town's Personnel Rules, updating various policies; and assisting the Facilities Planning Committee in formulating a proposal to solve the space needs of the Police Department. I have found this work to be thoroughly enjoyable and intellectually stimulating, while at the same time I am pleased to think that I have been able to contribute to the well-being of the community. It should also be noted that the Selectmen have been directly involved in each of these projects and our administrative accomplishments are the result of their leadership and guidance.

The primary job of the Town Administrator is to implement the decisions of the Board of Selectmen, but this also includes the responsibility to give advice, ensure compliance with the law, coordinate departmental activities, provide staff supervision, conduct research, submit reports, and watch over the delivery of contracted services as well as Town government services. I am thankful (and appreciative) to have an outstanding corps of department managers and employees to assist me in these endeavors.

In many ways the management of this Town is similar to running a private business with an \$11 million budget, especially when it comes to ensuring that money is spent wisely. The major differences, however, stem from the Town's reliance on concerned citizens to get involved by serving as volunteers, voting and providing feedback. With that in mind, I urge every resident of Gilford to participate in your community in some meaningful way.

Sincerely,

Scott J. Dunn
Town Administrator

GILFORD APPRAISAL DEPARTMENT TOWN APPRAISER'S REPORT

State law governs the assessing process along with guidelines set forth by the Assessing Standards Board (ASB) and Equalization Standards Board (ESB). The Selectmen have a primary responsibility to ensure that assessments are proportionate each year and that the assessing process and results are consistent with State Standards.

Because personnel performing appraisals for assessing purposes must be certified to do so by the State, Selectmen delegate these duties out to qualified persons in the Appraisal Department. Beyond appraisal issues, the Selectmen retain authority over all legal processes occurring in the Department.

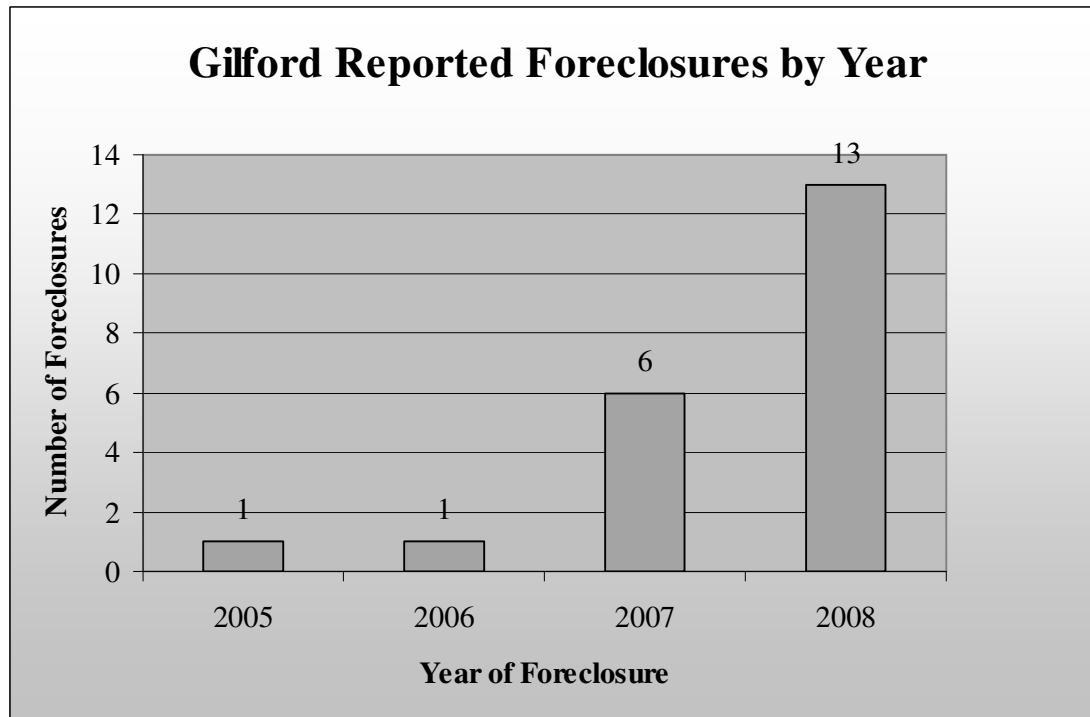
The assessment process is monitored by the Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) under RSA 21-J throughout the State. This monitoring process involves a DRA representative visiting Towns and reviewing all aspects of the assessment process including the way assessment updates occur, how applications for exemption and veteran credits are processed, how permit work is inspected and so forth.

Beyond ongoing oversight, every five years the DRA 'certifies' municipalities by measuring various functions that occur in the Appraisal Department, against State Standards. Gilford's last certification occurred in 2004, and this coming year, 2009, we are slated for another full certification review.

2008 Real Estate Market:

The residential real estate market had softened over the latter part of 2007 into 2008. The sub-prime mortgage fallout has had a dramatic effect around the United States. As with the previous real estate market crisis in the late 1980's, New Hampshire has not experienced the wholesale declines in market value reported in other parts of the country. Nonetheless, the local market has softened substantially as compared to the rising values experienced in 2003 through 2006.

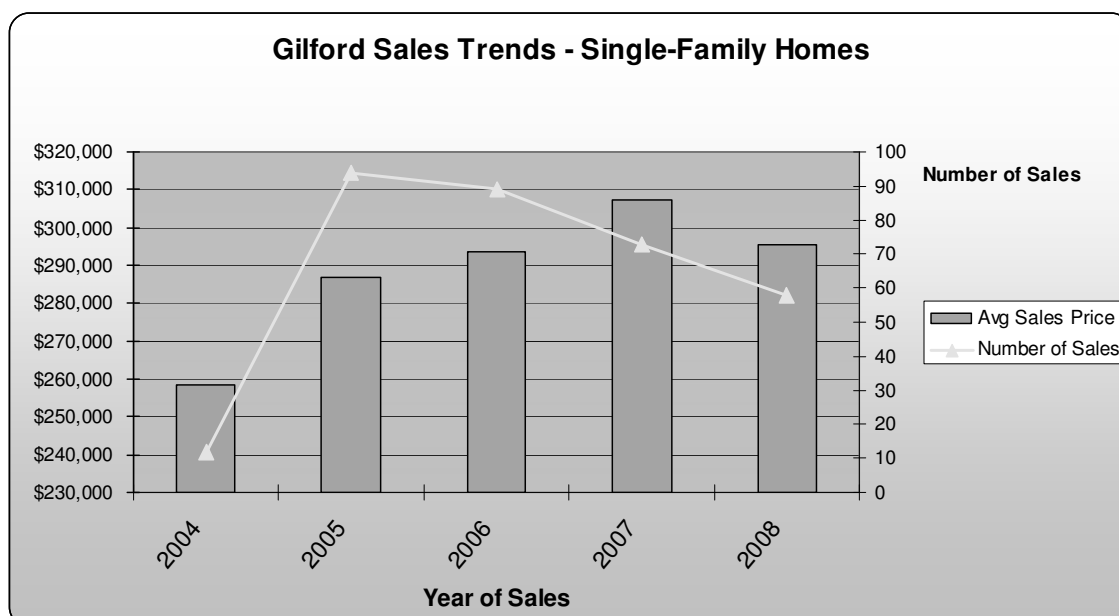
While foreclosure prices and auctions are not normally used in determining current market value, foreclosures, combined with uncertain economic times have had the effect of slowing the real estate market across the State. Following is a history of reported foreclosures occurring in Gilford:



While these are not substantial numbers, especially when measured up against Gilford's property inventory of approximately 6800 properties, the foreclosure rate more than doubled in 2008 over 2007.

More importantly in terms of market impact are the numbers of sales occurring. Sales volumes for all classes of property are down substantially. For example, isolating just single-family, non-waterfront property sales in Gilford, the following arm's-length sales were reported over the past five years:

Gilford Single-Family, non-waterfront Properties:



Overall, it can be seen that the average selling price of a non-waterfront home in Gilford declined from 73 sales averaging \$307,200 in 2007 to 58 sales averaging \$295,600 in 2008, a 4% decline in value, and a decline of 20% in the number of sales occurring.

This decline in the number of sales has an effect on the inventory of properties available for sale. Collectively, the market as of year-end 2008, is exhibiting high supply inventory and low demand. This could have a lingering effect as we move into 2009.

However, despite the lower volume of sales, these declines are not in evidence 'across the board', as can be seen from the following general statistics:

Other Statistics (Average Selling Prices):

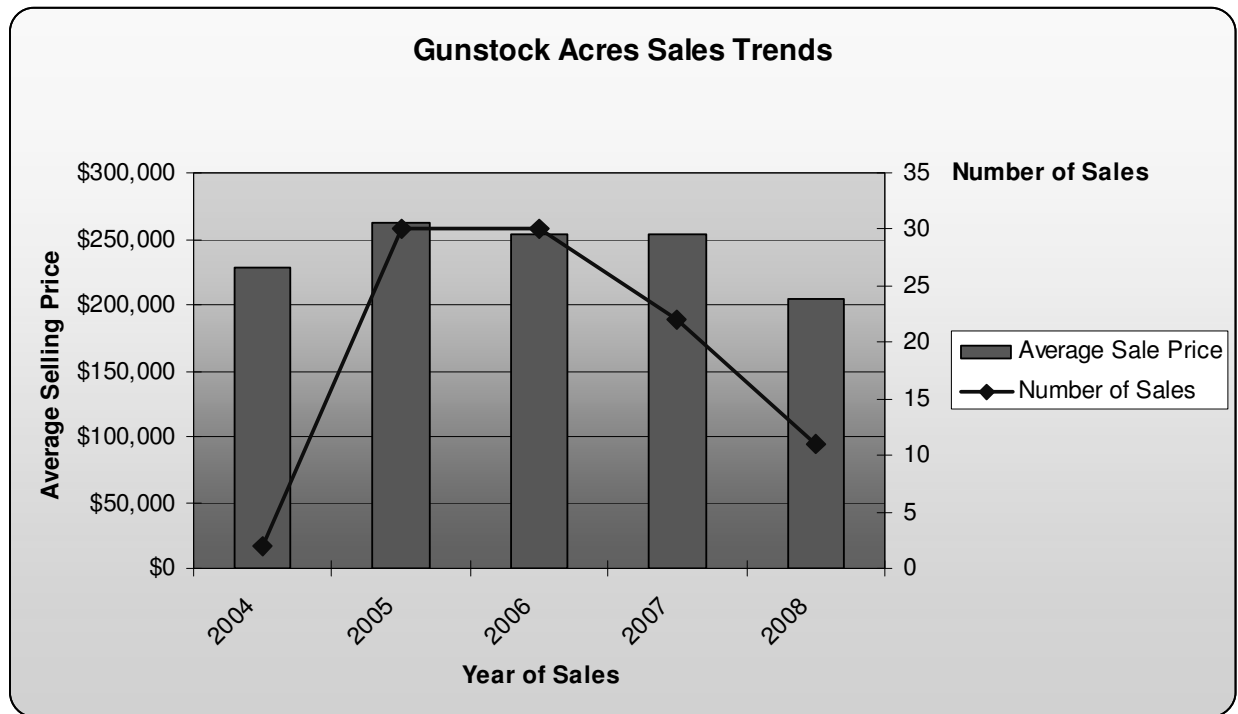
Category	2005	2006	2007	2008
Islands	\$550,000	\$342,600	\$458,100	\$470,000
Mainland WF	\$835,100	\$853,100	\$746,000	\$872,300
Gov Isle	\$1,537,500	\$1,771,700	\$2,347,500	\$2,604,000
Boat Slips*	\$84,000	\$85,900	\$94,500	\$58,700
Condos				
WF Related	\$335,600	\$376,300	\$319,700	\$341,200
Non-WF	\$160,000	\$146,900	\$139,000	\$166,000

* As with all average calculations, caution must taken before coming to conclusions. For example, the sales of boatslips in 2008 did not include the larger, 'high-end' slips whereas they are represented in previous years.

As shown above, changes in market value were not uniform across the Town. That is, some sectors realized more substantial declines and others realized no declines at all. as shown above.

For a specific example, as a group, Gunstock Acres realized the most substantial decline in market value than any other area of the Town.

Following is an analysis of sales occurring in Gunstock Acres over the past 5-years:



As can be seen here, the average selling price for a home in Gunstock Acres declined by 20% in 2008 over 2007, and the number of sales occurring dropped in half from the previous year. While averages are not exclusively used in the assessment process, clearly, the market had experienced abnormal declines in Gunstock Acres in 2008.

2008 Assessment Update:

Gilford has an ongoing policy to remain in compliance with RSA 75:8, that is, as the real estate market changes, so do the assessments so that the assessments remain consistent with the emerging market as of April 1st of each year and in compliance for maintaining 'proportionality' in property assessments annually.

Changes in the overall market were reflected in the 2008 assessments. This caused the overall value of the Town to decrease from 2007. The following illustrates the changes in value, by category, from 2007 to 2008 (taken from the MS1 report submitted to the State)*:

Category	2007	2008	\$Change	%Change
Current Use Lands	\$ 1,007,970	\$ 999,340	\$ (8,630)	-0.9%
Residential Land	\$ 678,252,070	\$ 664,522,100	\$(13,729,970)	-2.0%
Commercial Land	\$ 46,148,000	\$ 49,506,770	\$ 3,358,770	7.3%
Total Lands	\$ 725,408,000	\$ 715,028,210	\$(10,379,790)	-1.4%
			\$ -	
Residential Buildings	\$ 790,511,200	\$ 751,144,500	\$(39,366,700)	-5.0%
Manf Housing	\$ 21,033,100	\$ 19,848,900	\$ (1,184,200)	-5.6%
Commercial Buildings	\$ 93,836,100	\$ 90,114,500	\$ (3,721,600)	-4.0%
Total Buildings	\$ 905,380,400	\$ 861,107,900	\$(44,272,500)	-4.9%
			\$ -	
Public Utilities*	\$ 6,128,985	\$ 6,182,960	\$ 53,975	0.9%
			\$ -	
Elderly Exemptions:	\$ (5,466,200)	\$ (5,004,740)	\$ 461,460	-8.4%
Blind Exemptions	\$ (45,000)	\$ (60,000)	\$ (15,000)	33.3%
Net Exemptions:	\$ (5,266,100)	\$ (4,831,100)	\$ 435,000	-8.3%
Net Valuation	\$ 1,631,406,185	\$ 1,577,254,330	\$(54,151,855)	-3.3%

* Not all columns will add correctly due to some exemptions exceeding the assessments

**Public Utilities are pro-rated by the State for the State Education Tax Rate

As a result of the assessment update, preliminary statistics indicate that the relationship between market value and assessed value (as of 4/1/2008) is 93%. That is to say that the new assessments are reflecting 93% of market value as of April 1, 2008, on average. This is the same ratio reported for 2007. So, while we lost value this past year, our relationship of assessed value and emerging market values remained the same.

Acceptable ratios are between 90% and 110% of market value by current State Standards, however, the Town of Gilford strives to remain in the 95% range annually.

Given the current state of the markets, and the upcoming 2009 State Certification for the Town, we will be continuing to monitor the emerging market of 2009 and reflect any changes in the assessments in the fall of 2009.

Cycled Inspections:

Because the Town no longer performs full cycled revaluations (the last 'full' revaluation was in 1994), the Selectmen have authorized a 'cycled' inspection process, where each year between 20% and 25% of all improved properties are inspected by a staff appraiser. In this way, over a 5-year period all properties are inspected. This helps ensure that our property data is reasonably accurate and ensures compliance to the State Constitution requiring an 'inventory anew at least every 5 years'.

These cycled inspections are performed by geographic area, although there are some exceptions. Following are some of the major reasons appraisal personnel will inspect properties:

- Active building permit
- Recent sale
- Abatement request
- Taxpayer request

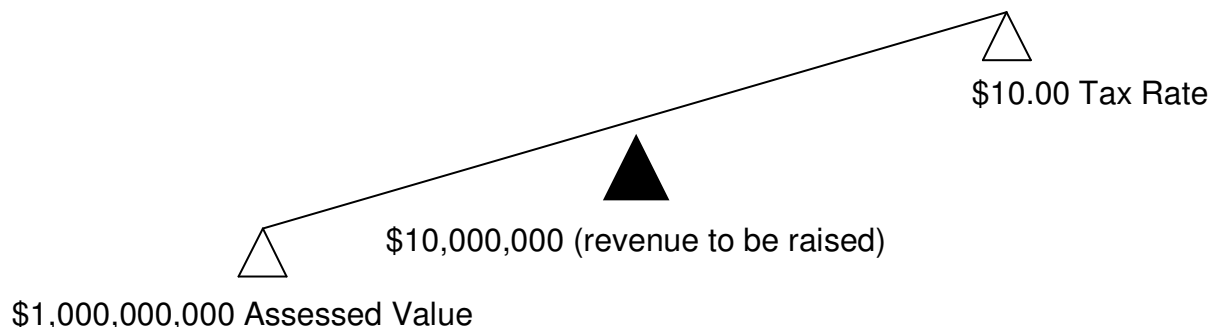
Since the Town performs 5-year cycled inspections, when a visit is performed for any reason, an entire inspection (exterior measurements and interior inspection) is performed. This is so the appraisal personnel can then consider the property cycled, thereby not re-visiting for another 5 years, regardless of its' geographic location.

It is important to not confuse 'cycled inspections' with assessment updates. An inspection does not necessarily equate to a changed assessment unless data was found to be in error (either up or down). A change in assessment due to an assessment update occurs to all properties all at the same time. That is, 'inspected' properties are treated no differently when it comes to assessment updates. The cycled inspection process continues independently of the assessment update process.

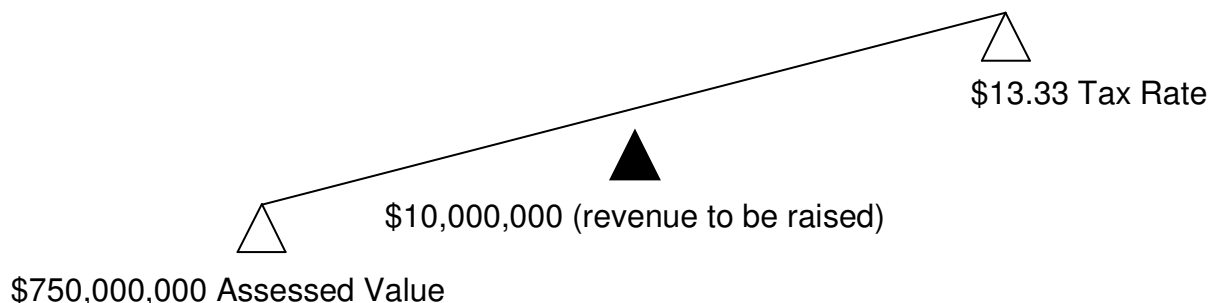
The question has arisen as to why the Town continually performs these assessment updates, and not just when the 5-year certification year arrives. Beyond the requirements of RSA 75:8 referenced above, performing more frequent updates adjusts taxes more incrementally as opposed to all at one time. Consider the following:

The reason assessments change is because the real estate market changes. If the market would simply stand still, then assessments remain the same. If the market changed equally for all properties, then there would be no change in tax dollars paid beyond any increases in the annual budget, even if all assessments were increased. For example, if all assessments were increased by 10% across the board, the tax rate would decrease by 10% and the taxes would remain the same as in the previous year (assuming a level budget for both years).

For illustrative purposes, assume that the net valuation of the Town is one billion dollars in assessed value. Also, assume that the Town budget is \$10,000,000. The tax rate is determined by dividing the amount of taxes to raise by the net assessed value. The answer, times 1000, indicates a tax rate of \$10.00 per thousand of assessed value.



If the assessed value were to fall to \$750,000,000, the Town still needs to raise the authorized \$10,000,000. So, dividing the same \$10,000,000 by \$750,000,000 in net assessed value causes the tax rate to increase to \$13.33.



So, the function of the tax rate is to raise authorized expenditures. The assessed values change with the market, and the tax rate fluctuates according to the amount of taxes to be raised.

If property values changed equally, and the budget remained the same as the previous year, there would be no change in tax bills. However, as referenced earlier, not all market values change equally over the same timeframe.

2008 Tax Rate Changes:

Because the net valuation fell 3.3% in 2008, the overall tax rate must increase by 3.3% to make up the difference. Beyond this general change the individual components of the rate changed based upon the amount of revenues required of each agency, as follows:

Tax Rates:	2007	2008	\$Change	%Change
Town	4.48	4.67	0.19	4.2%
County	1.25	1.42	0.17	13.6%
Local School	7.77	8.43	0.66	8.5%
State School	2.33	2.37	0.04	1.7%
Totals	15.83	16.89	1.06	6.7%

Exemptions and Tax Credit Information:

The State administers a program of tax relief entitled LOW & MODERATE INCOME HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY TAX RELIEF. This program is administered by the State DRA however we will have forms in the appraisal office to apply. We expect to have the forms available in April (the State delivers the forms to us). The filing date is May 1st through June 30th of 2009 for the 2008 tax year.

Elderly Exemptions

To qualify, applicant must:

- be 65 years of age or older on or before April 1st in the year they're applying;
- be a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years prior to April 1st.
- total household income cannot exceed \$25,000 if single, or \$35,000 if married.
- all sources of income are included.
- total assets cannot exceed \$90,000. Assets do not include the value of the house and up to 2 acres of land that the house sits on. All other property would be included.

If qualified, the exemptions are as follows:

- ages 65 to 74 - \$45,000 is subtracted from the assessment and taxes are paid on the remainder.
- ages 75 to 79 - \$60,000 is subtracted from the assessment and taxes are paid on the remainder.
- ages 80 and over - \$75,000 is subtracted from the assessment and taxes are paid on the remainder.

Blind Exemption

To qualify, applicant must:

- be a New Hampshire resident for at least 1 year prior to April 1st in the year exemption is claimed.
- be legally blind as determined by the administrator of blind services and provide a letter stating such.

If qualified, the exemption is as follows:

- \$15,000 will be deducted from the assessment and taxes will be paid on the remainder.

Veteran's Tax Credit:

To qualify, applicant must:

- be a New Hampshire resident for at least 1 year prior to April 1st in the year the credit is claimed.
- have honorably served at least 90 consecutive days of active duty during a qualifying period
- Supply a copy of paperwork (DD-214, for example) showing date of entry, date of discharge, and character of service.

Service Connected Total Disability Tax Credit

If applying for service connected total disability tax credit, disability must be 100% total and permanent, must be service-connected with a letter from the veteran's administration to be supplied at the time of application.

If qualified, the exemption is as follows:

- \$500 will be deducted from the taxes for a standard veteran credit, and \$2,000 for a veteran with a service connected total and permanent disability.

Veteran Spouse or Widow:

To qualify, applicant must:

- Demonstrate that the spouse or deceased veteran met all requirements for Veterans Tax Credit (referenced above), and,

- Has not remarried.
- The surviving spouse of any veteran killed or died while on active duty, as listed in RSA 72:28, providing that the spouse or widow has not remarried.

Our office is available at any time to discuss these local exemptions such as elderly exemptions, or tax credits such as veteran's credits. We are also available for scheduling meetings to discuss any aspect of the assessing process. We encourage all taxpayers to take an opportunity to review the information on file for your property, and to bring questions or discrepancies to our attention if they are found.

We extend our gratitude to the administration for their continuing guidance and support and helpful fellow Town employees. Most importantly we wish to thank the taxpayers of our Town for the patience and courtesies extended to us over the year. We look forward to providing you with assistance in any way we can.

Respectfully,

Wil Corcoran, Town Appraiser

Town Clerk – Tax Collector Annual Report – 2008

2008 was a very eventful year with changes to motor vehicle driver's licensing and a new look to motor vehicle registrations! Not to mention four elections within the year – The General Election proved to be one of historical proportions. You will find the Town of Gilford's election results within this annual report.

In April this office went online with the State of New Hampshire Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). This new process enables us to complete more of your registrations without an extra step to the DMV. We appreciated your patience as we learned (and continue to learn) the new software. You were all wonderful and understanding during the transition. Thank you! Thank you! The Town Clerk – Tax Collector's Office (TC-TC) changed the hours of operation to accommodate the new online cash up process. The new hours are as follows:

Monday	8:00 – 4:30
Tuesday	8:00 – 4:30
Wednesday	8:00 – 4:30
Thursday	8:00 – 6:30 (evening hours)
Friday	8:00 – 4:30

By the time this annual report is printed it is usually a really good time to remind you that the 2009 dog licenses are due for renewal by April 30th. The cost of renewing the license is as follows:

Puppies	Altered	Unaltered	Senior Citizen (owner 65+ years old)
4 months old -	7 months old	7 months old	Each owner/keeper limited to 1 discounted license
Under 7 months old	& Up	& Up	Any age dog
\$6.50	\$6.50	\$9.00	\$2.00

Please call the office if you receive a reminder notice and you no longer have your dog.

This office has collected over \$29.2M in tax revenue and \$1.5M in town clerk's revenue. Please call the office to set up an appointment for payment arrangements if necessary. Partial payments are accepted and will save some interest from being charged.

A couple of quick reminders – we are currently processing 2009 Boat registrations. Please take the time to register your boat with us and keep some of your tax dollars local. We also have the 2009 town stickers available at this time – you will need to bring in a copy of your registration into the office. For your convenience you may also wish to process your requests by mail, email or fax.

I would like to thank the following Election Officials for working very long, hard hours this year:

Connie Grant, Selectman; Gus Benavides, Selectman; Kevin Hayes, Selectman, Peter Millham, Moderator; Wayne Snow, Assistant Moderator, Barbara Carey, Inspector of Elections; Shirley Snow, Inspector of Elections, Rutha "Betty" Helfrich, Inspector of Elections; Diane Tinkham, Inspector of Elections, Donna Mooney, Inspector of Elections; Doris MacHaffie, Inspector of Elections, Sheldon Morgan and all the staff at DPW.

I would like to give a special thanks to my very dedicated staff for going through so many changes with computer software and laws pertaining to the job at hand. Every day they come to work and have a smile on their faces not knowing what the day will bring! They are a wonderful, hard working staff and the citizens of Gilford and I am lucky to have them to assist us.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Morrisette, NHCTC-TC
Town Clerk – Tax Collector

2008 ANNUAL REPORT DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND USE

After more than 10 years of hard work by members of the Historic District and Heritage Commission and numerous other volunteers, Commissioners realized a satisfying success when, on April 30, 2008, the Benjamin Rowe House was listed on the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service. The press release issued at the time of the listing stated that the home was “built circa 1838, [and] was eligible to be listed on the National Register because of its architectural significance as a Greek Revival cape, and as a rare example of this type of structure executed in brick.” The home is located within the Gilford Historic District at 88 Belknap Mountain Road, and was once the site of a 150-acre farm. The farm was first owned by Jesse Thing in 1810, and five years later was sold to Benjamin Rowe. Rowe’s family remained on the farm for the next century. Rowe added the cape onto the original homestead with bricks he made himself along the nearby stream. The Rowe House is now owned by the Town of Gilford on land belonging to the Gilford School District. The Thompson-Ames Historical Society currently leases the house and carefully works to preserve this classic village landmark. A plaque was placed on the front of the home to commemorate its listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

In 2008 a significant area – 292 acres – of pastoral Gilford was placed under a conservation easement. Richard and Betty Persons’ Ramblin Vewe Farm at 637 and 638 Morrill Street is now conserved. The Persons’ generosity combined with donations from the public, efforts of the New England Forestry Foundation, and the tireless labors of the Gilford Land Conservation Task Force and Conservation Commission, made this conservation goal a reality. Conserving Ramblin Vewe Farm will ensure that the land remains undeveloped, that the open fields and woodlands remain as beautiful as they are today, and that the sheep farm is able to continue operating for years to come. Work is ongoing to finalize a few remaining aspects of the conservation of this property, but should be completed soon.

The Conservation Commission has also been working with Nancy Rendall of Blue Moon Environmental, Inc. on a Natural Resources Inventory. The inventory will document not only lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, forests, and other natural features that one typically thinks of as natural resources, but will also include historical sites, cemeteries, trails, recreational facilities, and other related resources available throughout the town. The Commission expects to complete the inventory in 2009.

The following table illustrates the work performed during 2008 by the DPLU office staff and the land-use boards and commissions for which the department provides staff support:

I. OFFICE STAFF

1. Building Code Administration

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Building Permits	304	259	265	296	204
Plumbing/Elect. Permits	296	259	255	610	217
Sign Permits	19	22	16	13	21
Demolition Permits	36	36	39	28	17
Misc. Permits	1	0	97	0	3
TOTAL PERMITS:	656	576	672	947	462

Of the **204** building permits issued, **13** were commercial building permits and **34** were for single-family homes. Of the **34** single-family homes, **8** were knock-down/rebuild homes, and **26** were actual "new construction".

2. Declared Value of All Construction

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
TOTAL VALUE:	\$20,530,527	\$23,160,457	\$29,101,882	\$37,438,209	\$24,257,464

3. Department Revenues

	2006	2007	2008
Permit Fees (Bldg., Pl., El., etc.)	\$107,604	\$73,773	\$54,150
Planning Board & ZBA Fees	\$ 19,234	\$10,024	\$ 9,869
Vendor Permit Fees	\$ 5,495	\$10,525	\$ 8,050
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$132,333	\$ 94,322	\$72,069

4. Code Enforcement Activity

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Inspections	1172	1042	1069	1319	888
Zoning Enforce.	168	109	147	156	177
TOTAL * INSP.:	1,340	1,151	1,216	1,475	1,065

*Excludes "Health Officer Responses" because the office of health officer was transferred out of DPLU in 2008.

II. PLANNING BOARD

Membership

Chair	Polly Sanfacon
Vice-Chair	Carolyn Scattergood
Secretary	Richard Waitt
Selectmen Rep.	Connie Grant
Regular Members	Jerry Gagnon
	Richard Vaillancourt
	John Morgenstern
Alternate Members	David Arnst

Term Expires

4/09
4/11
4/09
4/11
4/09
4/09
4/10

<u>Board Action</u>	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Site Plan Rev.	37	20	13	20	22
Subdivision Rev.	26	19	14	17	12
Master Signage	1	2	1	2	0
TOTAL CASES:	64	41	28	39	34

III. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Membership

Chair	Andrew Howe
Vice-Chair	Donald Chesebrough
Regular Members	Charles Boucher
	Robert Dion
	Philip LaBonte

Term Expires

4/11
4/09
4/10
4/09
4/09

<u>Board Action</u>	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Special Exceptions					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	5/0	8/1	12/0	6/1	7/0
Variances					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	5/1	8/1	6/0	3/1	8/3
Appeal of Admin. Decision					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	0/0	0/1	1/0	1/1	2/1
Rehearings					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/3
Equitable Waiver					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	1/0	1/0	1/0	0/0	1/0
Withdrawn	3	1	2	9	2
TOTAL CASES:	15	22	22	23	27

IV. HISTORIC DISTRICT AND HERITAGE COMMISSION

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>				
Chair	Troy Schrupp				4/09
Selectmen Rep.	Gus Benavides				
Planning Board Rep.	Richard Waitt				4/09
Regular Members	Julianne McConnell, Secretary				4/10
	Mary Curtis				4/10
	Carmel Lancia				4/10
<u>Commission Action</u>	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Cases Reviewed	19	11	13	19	13

V. CONSERVATION COMMISSION

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>				
Chair	John Goodhue				4/09
Vice Chair	Lee Duncan				4/10
Regular Members	Douglas Hill				4/10
	Tom Drouin				4/11
	Larry Routhier				4/11
	Charles Coons				4/11
	Everett McLaughlin				4/09
Alternate Members	Paula McDonald				4/10
	Rudy Lehr				4/11
	Donald Sibson				4/11
	Carole Hall				4/09
<u>Commission Action</u>	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Cases Reviewed	22	21	51	42	34

Only the Historic District and Heritage Commission experienced changes in membership in 2008. Commission Chair Elaine Gagnon, regular member Donna Mooney, and alternate Ruth McLaughlin did not seek reappointment upon completion of their terms on the commission. Alternates Mary Curtis and Carmel Lancia were moved from being alternates to regular members to fill the two vacated regular member slots. We extend our thanks to Elaine, Donna, and Ruth for their many years of dedicated service on the commission! We also congratulate Dr. Troy Schrupp for his nomination to serve as chairman of the Historic District and Heritage Commission.

All land-use board members give generously of their time and often serve at great sacrifice. They serve with no compensation and generally very little thanks. Their service is invaluable, however, and we thank them for their service on these boards.

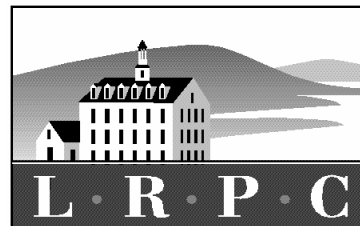
Finally, thanks to the office staff, who work hard throughout the year serving the needs of the community. Their knowledge of regulations, pertinent information, and current trends and practices is invaluable, and their ability to work well with the public and boards, deliver timely service, and maintain a good sense of humor even under pressure is commendable. We also thank Tracie Bettez who served us well filling in part time as department secretary while we were temporarily short-handed, and to Dana Pendergast who assisted with building inspections. Thank you all for your efforts in the Department of Planning and Land Use.

Respectfully submitted,

John B. Ayer, AICP
Director of Planning and Land Use

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

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FOR TOWN ANNUAL REPORT LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION 2007 – 2008 (FY-08)

The Lakes Region continues to grow and evolve. Homes and businesses have expanded along major roadways, and many of our communities have experienced dramatic changes. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is an organization established to provide area communities and region with the capability to respond to and shape the pressures of change in a purposeful way. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. The Commission offers direct and support services including technical assistance, geographic information systems, transportation planning, land use, environmental planning, hazard planning and economic development. Local, state, and federal resources primarily fund the LRPC. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our overall goal is to provide support, knowledge, and leadership to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Below are some of the focus areas and services provided on behalf of the town of Gilford and the region in the past fiscal year:

LOCAL

- ❖ Assisted the town with a special pharmaceutical collection as part of the annual household hazardous waste collection.
- ❖ Distributed many copies of the NH Planning and Land Use Regulation books to member planning boards at considerable savings.
- ❖ Organized and hosted three public Municipal Law Lectures, in cooperation with the NH Local Government Center, where practicing attorneys provide a legal perspective on local planning, zoning, and other municipal issues.

LAND USE

- ❖ Responded daily to requests from local communities for land use, transportation, environmental, and other information and guidance.
- ❖ Prepared master plans, capital improvement programs, zoning ordinances, subdivision regulations, and related services for several communities.
- ❖ Maintained circuit rider planning services for municipalities interested in assistance with development proposals.
- ❖ Developed a website of electronic documents to facilitate the outreach/education component of the *Innovative Land Use Guide* project, completed by the nine regional planning commissions and the NH Department of Environmental Services.

TRANSPORTATION

- ❖ Developed an update of the top regional transportation priorities, in cooperation with area communities, and submitted them to the NHDOT for review and consideration.
- ❖ Convened several meetings of the LRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in transportation planning and project development.
- ❖ Conducted over 160 traffic counts around the region and prepared and updated several local road inventories, on a town-by-town basis, that will be used by the DOT and the municipalities.
- ❖ Presented testimony to the Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation to retain all Lakes Region projects in the state's Ten Year Plan.

HOUSING

- ❖ Completed and distributed the 2008 Development Activity in the Lakes Region report on Lakes Region residential and commercial development trends. Prepared and distributed a new development survey for 2008-2009.
- ❖ Staff became qualified by the NH Housing Finance Authority to help communities implement the new Workforce Housing Law.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- ❖ Awarded \$50,000 from the U.S. Economic Development Administration to prepare a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the Lakes Region. An approved CEDS will provide communities with access to EDA funding for infrastructure and economic development projects.
- ❖ Continue to work with area economic development groups including Belknap County Economic Development Council, Grafton County Economic Development Council, Franklin Business and Industrial Development Corporation, and the Wentworth Economic Development Council.

NATURAL RESOURCES

- ❖ Planned and coordinated the 22nd annual household hazardous waste collection in the Lakes Region with 1,500 households from 23 communities participating at 8 collection sites. An estimated 19,000 total gallons of waste were collected, containerized, and transported to EPA approved end-of-life locations.
- ❖ Continue to provide assistance to the Pemigewasset Local River Advisory Committee.
- ❖ Participated in a number of meetings related to: source water protection, proper disposal of pharmaceuticals and personal care products, low impact development benefits to ground water, and how to implement ground water protection ordinances with municipalities.
- ❖ Continue to represent the region at meetings of the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility to explore the ways and means the facility may encourage other communities to participate.
- ❖ Created a series of web pages to provide an overview of various energy topics including: solar, geothermal, biomass, wind, and hydro-power.

- ❖ Hosted a training session for Volunteer River Assessment Program (VRAP) water quality monitors.
- ❖ Received funding assistance from the NH Department of Environmental Services to conduct the first phase of the Lakes Winnepesaukee Watershed Management Plan. Project partners include Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association, the University of New Hampshire, Plymouth State University, and the North Country Resource Conservation and Development Area Council.

NATURAL HAZARDS

- ❖ Secured funding from the NH Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) to prepare all hazard management plans for Lakes Region communities.
- ❖ Attended training to prepare local emergency operation plans (LEOP).

REGIONAL CONCERNS

- ❖ Completed an overhaul of the LRPC website, www.lakesrpc.org, added many new features to facilitate access to on-line images for each municipality, recent publications, latest news, etc.
- ❖ Convened six Commission meetings that featured a diverse range of topics: NH Rail Transit Authority, the Downeaster, NH Rail Service, and Next Steps; Viewshed Management and Steep Slope Protection in the Lakes Region; Incentives for Housing, Smart Growth, and Conservation; Transportation Plans/Projects; Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act: Its Future and Current Status.
- ❖ Reviewed project proposals through the NH Intergovernmental Review Agreement having a combined investment total greater than \$55 million in the Lakes Region.



BELKNAP RANGE CONSERVATION COALITION 2008 ANNUAL REPORT

The Belknap Range Conservation Coalition (BRCC) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote the conservation of open space, responsible stewardship, and low impact public enjoyment of scenic, natural, recreational and historical resources of the Belknap Mountain Range. Participating members include individuals from the project area towns of Alton, Belmont, Gilford and Gilmanton as well as dedicated individuals such as Dave Roberts who share an avid interest in the many resources that the Belknap Range provides. Conservation organizations with participating members include: UNH Cooperative Extension; Society for the Protection of NH Forests; Lakes Region Conservation Trust; Belknap County Sportsmen's Association; Gilmanton Land Trust; and the Belknap County Conservation District.

Along with working to protect the large unfragmented block of land encompassing the Belknap Mountain Range, the BRCC also educates the public about the significance of the resources of the Belknap Mountain Range; develops, promotes, and implements methods and strategies for ensuring the long-term protection and responsible stewardship of these resources; and promotes opportunities for low impact public enjoyment and recreation.

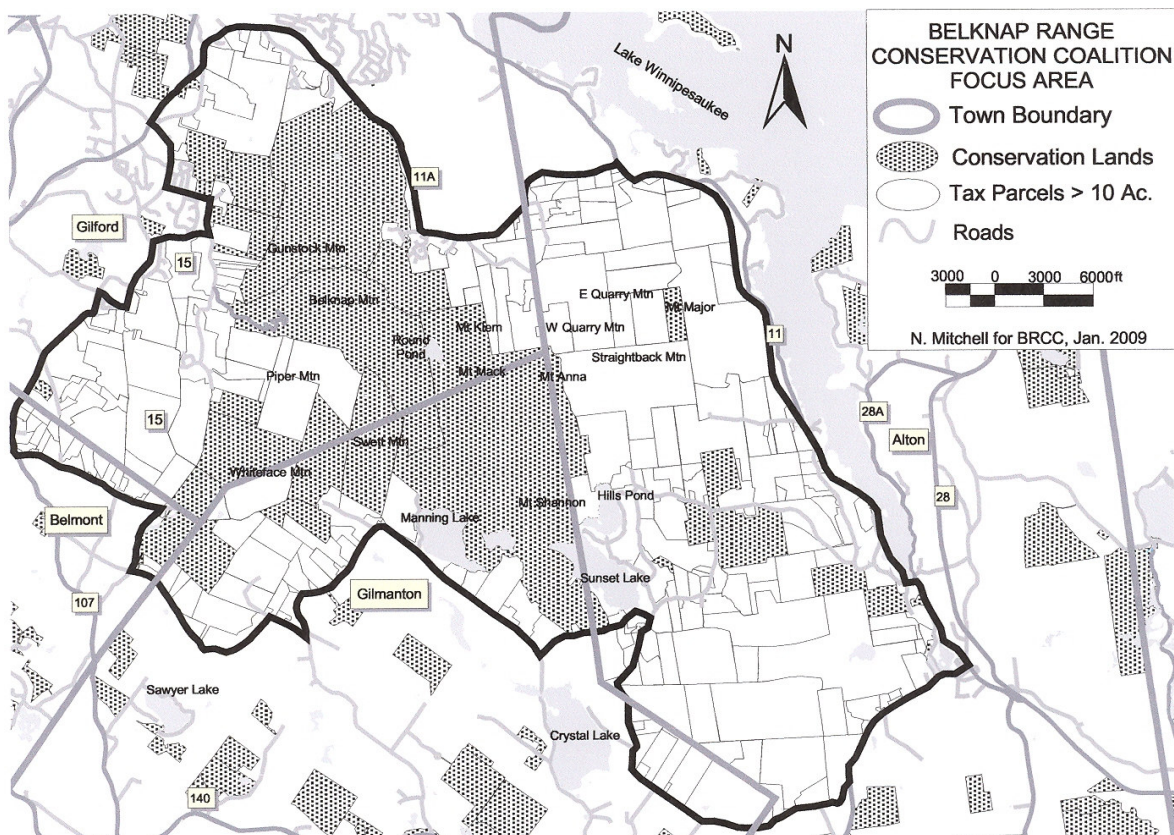
The BRCC strives to facilitate cooperation and communication among conservation organizations, municipalities, other governmental entities and area landowners, and helps coalition members secure funding, technical assistance and other resources for carrying out programs in support of this mission.

The BRCC made important organizational strides during 2008 after completing the necessary steps to organize with the State of New Hampshire as a non-profit. The Directors met monthly during the 2008 year. The monthly meetings offer important opportunities for members to share information about parcels within the focus area. A highlight of 2008 was that In April and May, the BRCC organized and sponsored a workshop in both Alton and Gilford on the basic land conservation options and tax benefits for landowners. Land conservation projects the BRCC has been involved in within the project focus area include: "Lands conserved within the BRCC focus area in 2008, with assistance from BRCC, include the 431-acre "Evelyn H. & Albert D. Morse, Sr. Preserve" on Alton Mountain Road, in Alton, acquired by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, and containing the summit of Pine Mountain. Also, the Town of Belmont purchased the 172-acre Sanborn Farm LLC parcel on Durrell Mountain Road for conservation purposes."

The BRCC also continues working on updating the GIS maps for the Belknap Mountain Range. (A black and white version of the BRCC Focus Area map is included with this report.) For more information on the BRCC, please contact the Belknap Range Conservation Coalition @ PO Box 151, Gilmanton IW, NH 03837 or email us @ BelknapRangeCC@aol.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy B. Rendall
Chair



2008 TOWN REPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

2008 brought some changes to the Police Department in an attempt to be more environmentally friendly and fuel conscious. The department replaced two of its tired worn-out Crown Victoria Police Cruisers with two 6 cylinder all wheel drive Ford Fusions. These vehicles have been assigned to Deputy Chief Keenan and myself. These vehicles have proven to be a success in the role they play.

The department also initiated a fuel savings program. This program reduced the miles an officer could drive on a shift however; it increased their presence in trouble areas, which is reflected in the reduction of arrests. The officer's were out of their vehicles walking around the plazas, other areas as well as conducting stationary radar patrols. These programs will be expanded upon in 2009, hopefully continuing to reduce the fuel consumption. The department continues to research alternative vehicles for cruisers that offer the same performance and size while reducing fuel usage.

The department also had some changes in assignments as well as a promotion. Captain Kevin Keenan was promoted to the rank of Deputy Chief. Lieutenant Edison Cowing has returned to the Patrol Bureau as the Patrol Commander. He had been serving as the department prosecutor. Prosecution responsibilities have fallen on the shoulders of Detective Eric Bredbury. Officer Chris Jacques has been reassigned to the Detective Bureau. These moves have even further strengthened the abilities of the department.

Agbar continues to be an asset to the department and I comment on one of his successes for 2008. In August a Burglary had been reported in the area of Cotton Hill where several items had been stolen. A few nights after the reported Burglary, Agbar was requested to respond to Belmont as they had subjects that had fled into the woods from a reported burglary/theft. Agbar tracked the suspects for miles through dense woods and swamps locating the subjects hiding behind a stonewall. These subjects were interviewed and confessed to several burglaries in Gilford, Belmont and several other surrounding towns.

Recently the department along with the services of the Belknap County Regional Special Operations Group (BCRSOG) responded to a call of a subject threatening to kill himself and any police that responded. This was confirmed by his wife as well as access to firearms. This situation presented unique circumstances as the subject resided in a condo that bordered a busy restaurant as well as several other residents being home. During this several hour incident, residents and business were evacuated. Communications were maintained with the subject and information relayed to on-scene command. Through these efforts and the unified professional response of the members of the Gilford Police Department and BCRSOG, the subject was taken into custody without incident. His firearms and other weapons were seized pending a court order. I would like to relay my thanks and appreciation to all who were affected by this incident, your individual cooperation help lead to a successful end.

Again, in August the department responded to an incident of shots fired in the area of Kimball Road and Weirs Road. While the responding officers were checking the area several more shots were fired in the general direction the officers were searching. This area also had several patrons and employees of Cocomos reporting rounds hitting the ground around them. The suspect was located and taken into custody without further incident or injury to anyone. Several weapons were seized and the subject has been indicted on charges of reckless conduct with a firearm and is awaiting trial.

The department has had several other notable incidents throughout the year that I will not describe here. The members of the department are professional and committed to serving the residents and visitors of Gilford and with these efforts we continue to have successful outcomes to the majority of crimes committed within Gilford.

Detective Douglas Wall, Officer Holly Harris, Detective Eric Bredbury and the Gilford Drug and Alcohol Task Force created the first Unwanted Medicine collection program. This program allows citizens the ability to turn in unwanted or unused prescription drugs. This program continues to be a huge success with the department receiving 16 gallons of non-controlled drugs and 7 gallons of controlled drugs with an approximate value of \$50,000.00. The drugs were properly disposed of insuring that they did not make there way to the street or our drinking water. Anyone can still contact the department if they have the need to relinquish controlled or non-controlled substances.

Deputy Chief Keenan, Sergeant Kelley, Detective Wall and Officer Harris attended Child Abduction Response Training in San Francisco. This training was funded by the Department of Justice and provided the department with crucial information on the latest tactics in investigating missing and/or abducted children. The officers came back with a wealth of information, but realized how much more the department needed to do to better prepare for this type of incident. The officers involved have already re-trained the department as well as updated our policies and procedures to better serve the public. This is one of those calls we the department or the town ever want to receive.

The department has also become a member of ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children). Gilford is one of only two agencies in Belknap County and a handful of other elite agencies within the state involved in this proactive approach to fighting child related computer crimes. Officer Chris Jacques has been attending the training and will be able to utilize his knowledge as well as the resources of the ICAC to investigate Internet crimes against children. This puts the department on the cutting edge of technology and tried and true investigative techniques. This training has already proven invaluable while Detectives investigated a child pornography case.

The Gilford Police Department reminds all to be aware of identity theft as well as telephone and internet scams. If it sounds too good to be true, like you have won a foreign lottery and you have not left Gilford, you have not won!

Should you have any questions or concerns on anything related to identity theft or scams please contact us at 603-527-4737.

Finally, 2008 brought a unique opportunity for me to serve the town as Interim Town Administrator for a brief time until a permanent Town Administrator could be found. During my time serving as Interim Town Administrator, I found that the men and women who are the workforce in running the Town provide exceptional service and I found much to be thankful for in working here. The community is very fortunate to have such employees working in the town and I thank all of them for making my brief time in the driver's seat a truly enjoyable one. I thank the Board of Selectmen for their faith in my abilities. Having said that, I truly am happy to be back serving as Police Chief for the town and working again side by side with a group of individuals who I take great pride in knowing they make many sacrifices in providing a safe community in which we live in.

The Members of the Gilford Police Department wish you and all a safe 2009.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Markland
Chief of Police

**Gilford Police Department
Activity Report
December 31, 2008**

	2007	2008
Telephone Calls Received	11887	18356
Outgoing Telephone Calls	3582	5613
Calls for Service	15643	14857
Cruiser Mileage	193386	169430
Criminal homicide	0	0
Forcible Rape	2	1
Robbery	3	0
Aggravated Assault	7	5
Burglary	19	31
Larceny	144	213
Auto Theft	9	4
Simple Assault	84	63
Arson	0	1
Embezzlement	0	0
Criminal Mischief	119	104
Prostitution	1	1
Drug Offense	47	36
Gambling	0	0
Driving While Intoxicated	70	57
Intoxication	56	51
Parking Tickets	210	95
Accidents	338	276
Traffic Stops	2039	1915
Total Arrests	348	295



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

With the close of 2008, so went the year of record moisture; the year that heightened economic concerns and the year that Public Works was once again, very busy.

To begin with we had some new faces become part of the team. We welcomed Mia Gagliardi as our new executive secretary to the department filling the vacancy when our 20 year veteran, Kari Dami moved on to new challenges. We wish her well in her new endeavors. We also had a change in our highway foreman's position when Tracy Leonard left our employ and was replaced by one of our own equipment operators, Kirk Young. Kirk moved up through the ranks to be our new highway foreman and is carrying on the same dedication and attention to detail that Tracy showed through his many years with us. While filling the vacancies within the highway division, this gave a chance for some of our more senior members to move into positions with more responsibility, if they so chose. Several took advantage of this and are now serving the town in a new job capacity, to the benefit of us all. While we welcome them into their new duties we also need to thank the other department employees for their continued and dedicated service to our Town.

While discussing the highway division, even with the economic issues that faced us in 2008, the department was able to perform and complete some much needed highway work. We were able to overlay several town roads with new asphalt to help improve their ride ability, winter maintenance and overall condition while also doing some critical drainage work. With the purchase of a new high pressure water jet trailer to replace our old and tired water truck, we are hopeful that this new unit will improve our capabilities to clean roadside culverts and catch basins in a more efficient fashion.

As always, solid waste continued to be an important issue. With the help of our recycling supervisor, Bruce Hewitt and Richie Stuart, we were able to gain some revenues by selling wood chips to a regional burn facility. 2009 is the year that we enter a new contract period with the Penacook incinerator and unfortunately we will also see a modest increase in our disposal fee. The 27 community cooperative, of which we are an active member, is dedicating itself to spurring everyone into a more aggressive recycling mindset in hopes of offsetting

rising disposal costs. The following chart reflects our current and prior years of activity in this area:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
	(the following figures are in tons)				
Trash shipped to incinerator	7108	7022	7469	6839	6406
Aluminum / tin cans recycled	4.83	5.37	3.67	5.03	6.20
Newspaper / paper recycled	89.85	101.41	95.45	93.07*	118.45
Plastics #1 & #2					17.56**
Combined glass recycled	<u>40.50</u>	<u>43.00</u>	<u>44.00</u>	<u>54.00</u>	<u>83.00</u>
Total tonnage recycled	135.18	149.78	143.12	152.10	225.21

*corrected from 2007 report

**estimated with one slip still due

Both building & grounds and the sewer divisions remained very active. With the added duties associated with our new library, our custodial staff (Dee and Jim) had little time to themselves. We really appreciate the time and dedication they put in every day keeping our town buildings looking well maintained. Brian and Leo kept updating sewer meter equipment so we could continue to make sure that our billing was accurate and timely.

The following chart reflects our administrative activity this past year:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Public Sewer Hookups	14	20	24	49	12
Driveway permits issued	109	108	90	98	68
Dig & Trench permits issued	29	17	22	32	28
Request for Action processed	85	88	148	120	187

As always, Public Works wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator's office and the other departments, commissions and agencies that helped in making 2008 a very productive year for us. We especially wish to thank you, the citizens of Gilford, for your continued support. It keeps us forever grateful that we are able to work in a community such as ours...

Respectfully submitted,

Sheldon C. Morgan
Director of Public Works

REPORT OF THE GILFORD FIRE – RESCUE DEPARTMENT FOR 2008

On behalf of the men and women of the Gilford Fire-Rescue Department, I would like to thank the people of Gilford for their overwhelming support during 2008. I would also like to offer a huge thank you to the men and women of the Gilford Fire-Rescue Department for the dedication that is continuously displayed as they provide emergency services throughout the community.

This past year for the Department, has been like that of many people in the community; a mix of good times and sorrows; fortunately the good times outweigh the sad and for that we are grateful.

We hired several new call company personnel early in the year and they have been a great addition to the Department. Unfortunately, several members of the Department lost close family members this past year and as a Department we felt their sorrow. Retired Chief Michael Mooney who had served the Town of Gilford for 33 years was one of those people who passed away. We, as a Department shared the sorrow of the Mooney family. We attempted to give Chief Mooney the honor and respect he was deserving of at his funeral in April.

Recognition of effort and achievement is a vital part of keeping morale at a high level and each spring the department holds an Awards Night for all members. The pot-luck dinner is for all Department members and their families as well as special guests. It provides an opportunity to give recognition to those family members that so often sacrifice time with a father or mother, a husband or wife, a significant other; so that the firefighters and EMTs can be handling an emergency somewhere or training to handle an emergency. Department members are also given special recognition for outstanding service and acts of heroism. This year Sharon Davis was honored as the EMS Provider of year 2008. Nick Proulx received the Firefighter of year 2008 award and Lt. Nick Mercuri and Firefighters Scott Mooney, Brian Blanchette and Jeff Madon were presented a Unit Citation for actions they took at a major fire at the Misty Harbor Resort.

The new Engine One that was approved for purchase last year (2007) arrived in April. It was not officially in service when it responded to its first fire, which was a second alarm fire at the Fireside Inn. This piece of apparatus fills a specific role as the water supply unit for the Department but it also provides for some flexibility in response when the Department is handling multiple incidents simultaneously. A new ambulance has been ordered and should be arriving around late March of 2009.

This Department holds as a core belief that the vast majority of our time is to be spent either handling emergency calls or preparing to handle emergency calls. That mindset directs our activities toward training, equipment maintenance and incident preplanning. Over 5,000 man-hours have been spent this past year training on everything from basic firefighting and EMS skills to leadership development to technical rescue skills. We

have also put in numerous hours conducting residential and commercial fire safety inspections and public safety education ranging from heating safety and fire extinguisher use to child passenger safety.

The training this Department does develops the skills used every day in the more routine type emergency calls we handle. It also prepares us to handle those larger fire incidents and the more difficult EMS calls and accidents that occur. This year that preparation also enabled the members of the Gilford Fire-Rescue Department to provide skilled assistance during some significant natural disasters. Crews from the Gilford Fire-Rescue Department responded to Barnstead to assist with initial search operations after a tornado destroyed several homes and damaged many others. Personnel also responded to Southwestern New Hampshire to provide firefighting support to the Town of Jaffrey due to the wide spread damage caused by the December ice storm.

Again I would like to thank you, the residents of the Town of Gilford for the support that you have given this department. We stand ready to provide service to you whenever it is needed. We are here for your benefit so please feel free to stop by the Station and visit, or call (527-4758) if you have any questions.

2008 ACTIVITY SUMMARY

Structure Fires	37	Medical Emergencies	604
Grass/Brush Fires	18	Motor Vehicle Accidents	75
Vehicle Fires	6	Misc. Medical/Rescue Calls	<u>27</u>
Misc. Fire Conditions	<u>12</u>	Total Medical Incidents	722
Total Fire Incidents	74		
Service Calls	100	System Malfunctions	51
Hazardous Conditions	84	Malicious False Alarms	1
Good Intent Call	160	Unintentional False Alarms	72
Miscellaneous Incidents	<u>10</u>	Miscellaneous False Alarms	<u>12</u>
Total Misc. Incidents	354	Total Alarm Activations	136

Mutual Aid to Other Towns 177

TOTAL INCIDENTS FOR 2007 **1286**

Respectfully submitted,
James R. Hayes
Chief of Department

Board of Fire Engineers

William Akerley, Chairman
Philip Brouillard
Don Spear

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

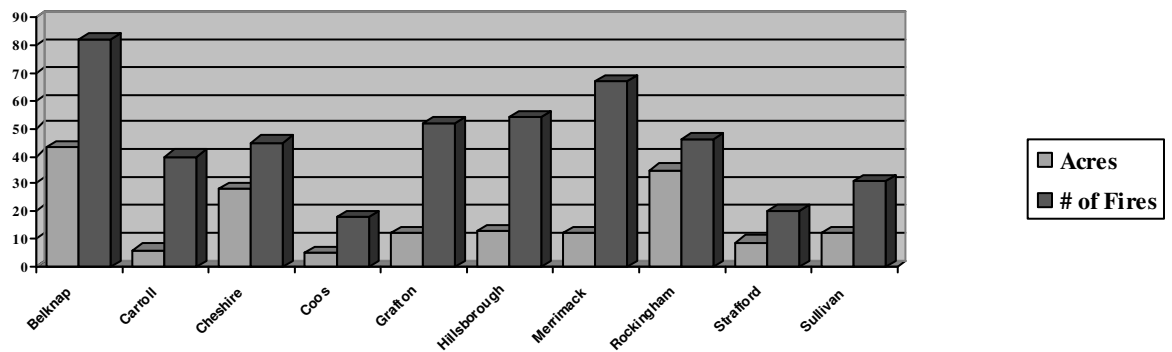
Spring fire season lasted unusually long this past year, with very high fire danger stretching into the first week of June. Once again, the rains started to fall during the summer and the fire activity was fairly light for the remainder of the year. The acreage burned was less than that of 2007. The largest forest fire during the 2008 season burned approximately 54 acres on Rattlesnake Mountain in Rumney on White Mountain National Forest property. Another 39 acre fire occurred on Mount Major in Alton during the month of April. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2008 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2008 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 24, 2008)

(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	43	82
Carroll	6	40
Cheshire	28	45
Coos	5	18
Grafton	12	52
Hillsborough	13	54
Merrimack	12	67
Rockingham	35	46
Strafford	9	20
Sullivan	12	31



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	2	
Debris	173	
Campfire	35	
Children	23	
Smoking	36	
Railroad	2	
Equipment	11	
Lightning	11	
Misc.*	162	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

Total Fires Total Acres

2008	455	175
2007	437	212
2006	500	473
2005	546	174
2004	482	147

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

REPORT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department had another exciting year during 2008. First off we'd like to thank Joanne Buckner for her many years of service to the Parks and Recreation Department. Joanne had been with the department since 2002 before leaving at the end of September to take a position with the Gilford Public Library. We hope Joanne knows she will be missed, and wish her the best of luck in her new position.

Filling our staffing void, Kristin Jarvi joined the Parks and Recreation Department in November. Kristin brings a great enthusiasm as she assists with the implementation of current programs and will be helping to create new programs in the future!

In addition to our staffing changes, we also lost a valuable member of our Recreation Commission as Commission Chair; Cory Demko stepped down in the spring after serving on the Commission since 1996. We would like to thank Cory for all her hard work through the years and wish her the best in her future endeavors. Commission member Thom Francoeur was voted in as the new Chair and Alternate Commission member, Leo Sanfacon was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to fill the void left by Cory.

Many of our Parks and Recreation facilities saw improvements through 2008 as well. Prior to the opening of the beach season, with the assistance of DPW, new lifeguard towers were put in at the Town Beach. In June, a new grill was installed replacing an old one that had been deteriorating. In July, six new belt swings and two tot swings were installed at the Village Field along with a new tire swing. At the same time two new belt swings and two new tot swings were installed down at the Town Beach. The varsity baseball diamond at the Village Field also saw improvement as a series of treatments were performed on the infield.

We continue to work hard maintaining our facilities, keeping them available to the members of our community. This past winter, the Arthur A. Tilton Ice Rink was opened in late January after waiting through a warm early winter and a few mechanical issues. The rink remained available to the public through late March. Although we had a rainy summer, we still had a busy season at the Town Beach with 20 seasonal employees staffing the beach, helping to ensure the safety and well being of all patrons. Bob Hodder returned for his third summer managing the beach concessions stand and again did an excellent job offering a variety of high quality servings.

The goal of this department each and every year is to offer the highest quality programs to all demographics of our community. Some of our youth program improvement and additions in 2008 included; offering Family Snowshoe Hikes, offering the first ever Cardboard Box Sled Derby in February, offering a "Mommy and Me" swim program in addition to traditional swim lessons, expanding the Youth Soccer Program to include kindergarten students and offering Family Hikes in both the spring and fall.

Some of our adult program improvement and additions in 2008 included; offering a new Adult Dodgeball program, expanding on our Snowshoe and Hiking programs and adding a new Adult Flag Football program. We also continue to improve the Senior Momentum program for senior adults with some additional activities, including; Service Link and Senior Living Options presentations and luncheons, a tour of the Wright

Museum, a Ball Room Dancing class, a Squam Lake boat tour and much more. We also created a correspondence program between our Senior Moment-um program participants and students at the Gilford Elementary School.

We also continue to look at adding and improving our community activities. In early June, we offered Community CPR and First Aid classes to the public. We built off the success of 2007's Red Sox trip by adding a second game this year. Both trips were a big success with buses full of Red Sox fanatics that had the opportunity to watch the Sox in historic Fenway Park. This past fall we added new activities at our annual Halloween Happening for the youth of Gilford.

We would like to thank Shaw's Supermarket, Dr. Kennell Orthodontics, Laconia Savings Bank, Meredith Village Savings Bank, Franklin Savings Bank and the Varney Point Association for their generous donations to our department throughout the year. We would also like to thank the Gilford Rotary for their donation of a Christmas tree and lights at the bandstand at the Village Field.

In closing, I would like to thank all the Town Departments, the School District and all the individuals who have assisted with our department throughout the year. We would like to thank you all for your support of our department as we look forward to providing quality recreation opportunities again in 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Herb Greene, Parks and Recreation Director

Parks and Recreation Commission:

Thom Francouer, Chair

Mariam York

Dave Smith

Rick Nelson

Dr. Leo Sanfacon

Lisa Mans-Buckley, Alternate

Youth Programs

Program	Season	2007 #s	2008 #s	Notes
Youth Basketball	Winter	200	176	
Gunstock Ski/Snowboard	Winter	65	54	Added Grades K-2
Bolduc Park X-Country Skiing	Winter	4	14	
Bolduc Park Golf	Spring	18	14	All sessions were full
Pheasant Ridge Golf	Spring	24	14	
Swim Lesson Sessions I and II	Summer	250	138	Wet Summer
Mommy and Me Go to the Beach	Summer	---	16	New Program
Arts and Crafts	Summer	100	95	
Tennis Lessons	Summer	53	51	Many sessions were full
Shooters Gold Basketball Camp	Summer	70	75	
Challenger Soccer Camp	Summer	39	38	
Play Soccer Camp	Summer	69	50	
Sciensational Workshop for Kids	Summer	19	25	Session was full
Youth Soccer	Fall	158	160	Added Kindergarten
KidzArt	Spring, Fall	11	22	
After School Sports	Fall, Winter, Spring	180	180	All sessions were full
Mommy and Me Playgroup	Winter, Spring, Fall	42	97	New Program Structure

Adult Programs

Program	Season	2007 #s	2008 #s	Notes
Adult Snowshoeing	Winter	5	33	Good Snow Season
Co-ed Adult Volleyball	Fall, Winter Spring	68	77	
Adult Sports Program	Spring	---	14	New Program
Adult Hiking (Spring Session)	Spring	5	10	
Bolduc Park Golf Lessons	Spring	16	7	2 of 4 sessions were full
Co-ed Adult Softball	Spring, Summer	22	18	
Adult Tennis Lessons	Summer	7	20	Both Sessions were full
Adult Hiking (Fall Session)	Fall	17	17	
Drop-In Adult Basketball	Spring, Fall	49	48	
Adult Co-ed Flag Football	Fall	---	10	New Program
Senior Moment-um Program	Year Round	36	107	Changed Program Name

Community Programs and Special Events

Program	Season	2007 #s	2008 #s	Notes
February Vacation Fun Day	Winter	11	22	Co-sponsored with Laconia Parks and Rec
Family Snowshoeing	Winter	---	47	New Program
Cardboard Box Sled Derby	Winter	---	11	New Program
Francœur/Babcock Memorial Basketball Tournament	Spring	12 Basketball Teams and Fans	12 Basketball Teams and Fans	
April Vacation Fun Day	Spring	29	30	Program was full
Family Hiking (Spring Session)	Spring	--	2	New Program
Spring Entertainment Show	Spring	33	---	Program was cancelled
Bike Safety Rodeo	Spring	58	41	Co-sponsored with Police and Fire Depts.
Community CPR/First Aid	Spring	---	9	New Program
Red Sox Trip	Spring	54	107	Added a second trip, both trips were full
Water Carnival	Summer	60+	400	Good weather day
Community Band Concert Series	Summer	100+	100+	
Family Hiking (Fall Session)	Fall	---	11	New Program
Halloween Happening	Fall	170+	200+	Added additional activities

REPORT OF THE GILFORD OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE

Saturday, August 23, 2008 – “A Storybook Town”! It was the 89th Annual Gilford Old Home Day celebration and it was a beautiful day with sunny skies and temperatures in the low 90s! The Parade Grand Marshals were Dick and Betty Persons who in addition to offering their beloved farm to the Town of Gilford for future generations to enjoy, were also the major benefactors behind the new library. The day itself was dedicated to George A. Sawyer, former owner of Sawyers’ Dairy Bar and annual Old Home Day Parade participant as a member of the Bektash Mini Patrol.

Both the 24th Annual Gilford Rotary Club pancake breakfast at the Community Church and the parade in the morning were as popular and well attended as always. In the parade, there were some outstanding floats, bands, color guards, mini-bikes and motorcycles, marchers, scouts, kids on bikes, National Guard vehicles, horses, oxen, antique and classic vehicles, clowns, the Wells Fargo Stage Coach and in this election year, numerous politicians! The usual crowd packed the entire Village area, from the Library all the way up to the Benjamin Rowe House to catch the sights. Special thanks to the GHS Class of 2009 for walking the parade route as our “Bucket Brigade” to help raise funds for our 2009 celebrations.

After the parade, some great music from Paul Warnick and Friends emanated from the Village Field bandstand. Bob Pomeroy was once again willing to lend his services as our “Master of Ceremonies”, as he kept things rolling with announcements, presentations, and his own unique brand of humor. The Opening Ceremony featured the singing of the National Anthem by Marlene Makowski. Back again for a sixth year was the Crazy Maze Company who set up their portable maze on the Village Field. Kids and adults wandered in there for hours! Vertical Entertainment was also on hand providing rock wall climbing and bungee jumps. The Gilford High School Robotics Club again gave demonstrations throughout the day on the Village Field Basketball Court.

The traditional games and field events for the kids of all ages took place in the afternoon, with a few new twists to the races. A dance performance by the students from the Edgewater Academy of Dance was enjoyed by many who were seeking some shade under the Entertainment Tent and were followed by a demonstration by Eastern Dragon Karate. As the afternoon progressed, the crowd enjoyed the entertaining performance by Lind Morgan, “The Story Lady”, with her many interactive story telling techniques.

The pie-eating contest and the egg toss were both well attended, and as always, provided a lot of laughs for the spectators and participants alike. Both the Piche’s/GNA 10th Annual Kids’ Fun Run Race and Piche’s/GNA 31st Annual Road Race went off without a hitch!

After a brief dinner/rest break, the crowd began to return to the Village Field to enjoy the music of Routes ‘56 in the entertainment tent. Following the performance by Routes ‘56 the crowd turned their attention to the Bandstand as the Community Band Performed their annual Old Home Day concert. At the conclusion of the concert, the skies over the Village Field exploded with our traditional fireworks display – bigger and better than ever! The evening was capped off with a dance for all ages, featuring our good friend and Old Home Day supporter Warren Bailey as DJ. At about 11:45 PM,

everyone who had managed to stay until the end dragged their tired bodies' home for some sleep!

On Sunday morning, with the assistance from the Gunstock Nordic Association and numerous other volunteers, the entire clean-up process went quickly and smoothly. Yes, another Gilford Old Home Day had come to an end!

We wish to extend a sincere and heartfelt thank you to all the advertisers, Town Departments, sponsors, volunteers, and friends who once again helped to make this very special annual event happen – we could never pull off this tremendous event without them. I would also like to personally thank the Gilford Old Home Day Committee for all their hard work and for helping me through another Gilford Old Home Day. I can not imagine undertaking this responsibility without your assistance and guidance.

Plans are already underway for the 2009 celebration, scheduled for Saturday, August 29, 2009. If you would like to be on the Committee or to volunteer in any way, please call the Parks and Recreation Department Office at 527-4722. Helpers are always needed, and ideas and suggestions are always welcome. Be sure to mark your summer calendars now for August 29th!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Herb Greene
Gilford Old Home Day Committee

REPORT OF THE GILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

This year has been truly a memorable year at the Gilford Public Library. Our community was so fortunate to have a new library given for all of us today and for generations to come. So many contributed to the library's project, but it would not have come to fruition without the generosity and commitment of Dick and Betty Persons who cut the yellow ribbon at our Grand Opening on August 18, 2008.

The construction of the new building was overseen by our steadfast and dedicated Building Committee- Bill Seed, Kate Hamel, Jack Lacombe, and Polly Sanfacon, in addition to the talent of Rudi and Bryant Lehr of CCI Construction and Karolina Burt of the Architectural Studio. This group dedicated their time, expertise, and enthusiasm to make our new library of the highest quality and lowest maintenance. The library is a "green" building built for this century. The building envelope was situated on the site to make optimal use of the natural landscape and passive solar collection. A geothermal system was installed for both heating and cooling. Rigid insulation encases the entire building envelope and triple pane glass windows were installed for low energy usage. Other "green" aspects of the building include dual-flush toilets, low voc paint, ENERGY STAR fluorescent lighting, and recyclable carpeting.

Moving to the new library was a community event. Our Moving Committee planned down to the smallest detail how to move over 40,000 items to the new building. We had over 200 volunteers sign up along with members of the Dept. of Public Works and prison inmates from the Lakes Region Facility. Everyone worked hard and fast- the bulk of the move was completed in a day and a half!

The new library has been very well received. We have issued many new library patron cards, circulation is up, and use of our public access computers has grown exponentially. In addition, we have wireless internet access throughout the building so we have seen many residents and visitors in the library with their laptops. In the Children's Room, we have added new storytimes and babytimes to accommodate more families. The dedicated space for teens has been very popular and we now hold events for this age group each month. For adults, we have increased the number of book discussions and monthly program offerings. Two exhibits were featured in the new library this year. These included watercolor paintings based on Gilford's natural landmarks and historical buildings and photographs based on a Gilford resident's recent trip to Liberia, West Africa.

The new building includes a meeting room and the library has offered meeting space to school, town, non-profit, and local organizations for programs and meetings. Many organizations are using the meeting space on a regular basis including: the Opechee Garden Club, Granite State Knitters, Tai Chi lessons, Gilford School District, and the Gilford Community Church.

We have been able to collaborate with other local organizations to expand our programs. The library hosted the first annual Heritage Arts Day in September, 2008 with the Thompson Ames Historical Society and the Gilford Community Church. Even with a rainy day, over 200 people participated in this day-long festival with a variety of activities and programs designed to celebrate the history and culture of Gilford.

Sparked by an introductory watercolor painting class first offered in September, 2008, a group of individuals has continued to meet on Friday afternoons at the library. Formal classes are held on a monthly basis and interest from budding artists has been growing. Knitting groups also utilize the library on a weekly basis to share patterns, tips, and spend time knitting.

Two groups of people deserve special recognition. The first is our dedicated group of volunteers. Whether they are shelving books, creating spreadsheets, or covering materials, our cadre of volunteers are giving back to their community through the library and making it the best it can be. The second group is the Friends of the Gilford Library who were instrumental in the construction of the new library. They raised funds that were used to furnish and equip the new library. The Board and Committee Chairs worked behind the scenes pulling off our dedication ceremony with flair. In November, the Friends opened a small gift shop on the lower level of the new building. This exciting endeavor is off to a good start with many holiday shoppers stopping by in December.

The Friends of the Gilford Library also sponsored the 8th annual "Scenes of Gilford" photography contest and with over 125 submissions from local photographs, we asked library patrons to vote for their favorites. Top finishers included photos of the Tannery Hill Bridge, Gilford Beach, Gunstock Ski Area and Ramblin Vewe Farm.

Our website is updated on a weekly basis. In 2008, the library added audio reviews (submitted by teen and adult patrons) and a "Question of the Week. All library events and programs and access to patron accounts are available on the website. In addition, there are reading recommendations, "Top Ten Requests at the Gilford Public Library", downloadable books, and many other features.

The library offered a summer reading program with the theme "Catch a Dragon by the Tale" to keep kids excited about reading throughout the summer. The program proved to be very popular with weekly special events. 235 children participated and thousands of books were read. In addition, we had a significant number of teen volunteers help out in the Children's Room over the summer months, many of whom have stayed on to help out in the new library.

Several staffing changes occurred in 2008. We had two positions vacated and welcomed three new staff members this year: Lura Shute, Joanne Buckner and

Jean Clarke. Together with Betty Tidd, Tasha LeRoux, Anita Hewitt, and Corey Nazer, we welcome your suggestions and look forward to serving you in 2009.

In closing, I would like to thank the Library Board of Trustees for their support, direction, and commitment to our Library.

Sincerely,

Katherine Dormody, MLIS
Library Director

Staff:

Betty Tidd, Assistant Librarian
Tasha LeRoux, Children's Librarian
Joanne Buckner, Technical Services
Anita Hewitt, Library Assistant
Jean Clarke, Library Assistant
Lura Shute, Library Assistant
Corey Nazer, Library Assistant

	2007	2008	
Cardholders	4266	4915	
New Cards Issued	538	675	
Children's Materials Checked Out	44212	40726	
Adult Materials Checked Out	54894	62275	
Items Added to Collection	6281	7807	
Library Programs	370	366	
Library Program Attendees	5349	5031	
Computer Uses	5302	6121	
Volunteer Hours	2679	4250	
Meeting Room Usage	0	47	groups with attendance of 1242
Number of People Entering Library		13946	(Since 10/1/08)

GILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY NON-APPROPRIATED FUNDS REPORT

Category	Balance 12/31/07	Receipts	Expenses	Balance 12/31/08
Children's Fund	157.79	231.65	231.65	157.79
Copier	3722.31	1406.95	272.50	4856.76
Fines	5735.48	7013.31	5888.77	6860.02
Gifts	4690.56	9671.61	8185.41	6176.76
Grants	379.95	205.00	205.00	379.95
Interest	74.62	25.64	0.00	100.26
Misc./Fees	4792.11	1901.45	2315.92	4377.64
Remick Trust	42.51	0.00	32.75	9.76
Smith Trust	-111.51	0.00	0.00	-111.51
Town-Reimbursed Expenses	-742.69	6426.77	6766.53	-1082.45
Calendar Project	1709.91	0.00	83.90	1626.01
Maps	612	1440	340.4	1711.60
Meeting Room	0	175		175.00
Totals	21063.04	28497.38	24322.83	25237.59
Howe Memorial CD	8449.39	112.41	8561.8	0
Allen Memorial CDs	4028.01	126.96	0	4154.97
Building Fund CD	40000.00	0.00	40000	0.00

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE

During 2008, 87 households, representing 136 adults and 77 children, were directly assisted by the Gilford Welfare Office, representing a 17% increase over 2006. The types of households requesting aid span the spectrum of today's society – the elderly on meager Social Security benefits, single-parent households, and families subsisting on low-wage jobs and little or no health care coverage.

Hardship problems in 2007 included medications, illnesses, unemployment, and housing & heating costs. Energy cost increases, including home heating and automobile gasoline, are becoming the primary reason for households seeking town assistance. More and more families are requesting assistance for home heating or are spending rent or food money on heating oil or kerosene. In addition, rents in the area continue to increase at the greater rate than incomes for low- and moderate-income families.

Some of these people have also been eligible to receive State-Federal Welfare Assistance in the form of checks, Medicaid, debit cards and social services. Federal Supplemental Security Income checks also help some persons with handicaps and others in low-income families.

There is an excellent Energy Assistance Program at the Belknap County Community Action Center where fuel assistance is available. It also facilitates the PSNH electricity discount programs. The St. Vincent de Paul Society operates a food pantry, a thrift store and a financial assistance program. Gilford residents in need are referred to these programs. In cases where the cost of assistance is high, the Gilford Welfare Office has been aggressive in forming combinations of help from the various sources mentioned above.

The Model Welfare Guidelines, updated in 2005, of the New Hampshire Municipal Association sets the example for our own Gilford Welfare Guidelines. These, used with understanding and discretion, best express our concern for "neighbors helping neighbors to help themselves." Given the slowing economy and the aforementioned higher energy costs, we anticipate even more requests for assistance in 2008.

For any questions or for a neighbor who might need assistance, please contact Mrs. Johnson at the Town Office (527-4701) or directly at 494-3991.

Sincerely,

Erika Johnson

REPORT OF THE GILFORD DRUG AND ALCOHOL TASK FORCE

The Gilford Drug and Alcohol Task Force (DATF) was organized in 1989 to address the issues of drug and alcohol abuse in our community. The Task Force is comprised of educators, students, law enforcement officials, Rotarians, nurses, social service representatives, and community members. The Task Force meets monthly at Gilford High School and is supported annually through funds appropriated by The Gilford Rotary Club.

The mission of the DATF is to unify community agencies and professional resources in order to provide community based prevention programs for individuals at risk.

During 2008, the DATF continued to communicate with parents, students, and the Gilford community at large about the issues of drug and alcohol abuse and prevention. The ***Unwanted Medicine Collection Event*** was a major activity coordinated by the Task Force in conjunction with the Gilford Police Department. In response to an increase in the number of youth abusing prescription and Over the Counter (OTC) drugs, the DATF initiated a community wide campaign to educate the public regarding the proper storage and disposal of medications. Members of the Task Force made presentations to various organizations and community groups explaining the importance of securing medications so young people do not have access to them. Members also stressed the need to monitor the amount of pills in each prescription. In an effort to reduce the availability and abuse of prescription and Over the Counter (OTC) drugs, community members were then asked to bring their unwanted medications to the Gilford Hazardous Waste Collection held in July. A specific area was cordoned off in front of the town hall allowing individuals to drop off their medications with a police officer. Pharmacists Mike Warmington and Larry Routhier identified the substances as either controlled or non-controlled substances. If a medication was identified as a controlled substance, the pharmacist(s) conducted a physical inventory of the contents, replaced the materials in their original container, and handed them over to law enforcement. Law enforcement officials then took physical custody of all controlled substances, inventoried them, and brought them to an evidence locker for eventual destruction. If items were non-controlled substances, they were placed in hazardous waste containers and removed by Hazmat personnel who properly disposed of them. A volunteer was on hand to maintain a data base of the various types and amounts of substances collected. Residents from over eight communities brought in medications totalling 16 gallons of non-controlled substances and 7 gallons of controlled substances. Gilford residents who would like to properly dispose of their medications may bring them any time of year to the Gilford Police Department. ***Please secure your prescriptions and do not flush medications.***

The Task Force also continued collaborating with CoRe(Community Response Coalition), a program whose mission is to support communities in decreasing the use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs among youth. The DATF supports Project Monitor, a system which encourages youth, parents, teachers, and other concerned citizens to anonymously report information about underage parties where alcohol and drugs may be present by calling 527-0021 or at their website: www.projectmonitornh.com.

If you are interested in working with the Gilford Drug and Alcohol Task Force, please contact the Board of Selectmen at 527-4700.

Respectfully Submitted:

Debra Laliberte
Gilford Drug and Alcohol Task Force

GILFORD LAND CONSERVATION TASK FORCE

The Land Conservation Task Force was authorized by the Gilford Town meeting and charged by the Board of Selectmen to inventory and identify areas of the community, which, by preservation, would maintain Gilford's rural character and scenic beauty, while simultaneously protecting our natural resources. An inventory, however, has been lacking, so the Task Force and the Conservation Commission are in the process of obtaining a natural resource inventory (NRI) to aid us in identifying the most important properties in town for protection.

Due to other responsibilities, the Task Force lost our secretary Dawn Scribner and we thank her for all she has done over the years to help us in our charge. We were fortunate to welcome Diane Hanley to our team. Diane was the Chair of the Laconia Conservation Commission and recently moved to Gilford. Sandy McGonagle stepped down as Chair after many years of incredible service to our community, and Everett McLaughlin was elected the new Chair, with Sandy taking over the secretary's position.

During 2008, the Task Force continued its work with Dick and Betty Persons to conserve their 292-acre Ramblin' Vewe sheep farm on Morrill Street by donating it to a charitable irrevocable trust so it would remain as a working farm in perpetuity. To have sufficient funds to maintain and sustain the property and farming operations, \$1,000,000 was sought to complete the total transaction. In 2007, 172 of those acres were protected by a conservation easement through participation by the New England Forestry Foundation. We are happy to report that the entire 272 acres have now been protected. Without a doubt, this incredibly beautiful farm is one of the most important properties in our town for conservation. The positive outcome would not have been possible without the support of Dick and Betty Persons, the New England Forestry Foundation, the State LCHIP program, the federal Farm and Ranchland Protection Program, individual donors, and our town's conservation fund derived from land use change taxes. Funding the entire \$1,000,000 to sustain the farm has yet to be achieved and donations are still being sought. Those fundraising efforts, however, have largely shifted from the Task Force to the trust.

An additional 7.6 acres of land that is part of Painted Mountain Farm just off Weeks Road has been put under a conservation easement thanks to a generous donation by Jean Evvard. The parcel abuts the Muehlke family conservation easement area on Belknap Mountain Road, and increases the size of the unfragmented land in the area that is so important to wildlife.

The Task Force would like to thank Dick and Betty Persons and Jean Evvard for their commitment toward keeping Gilford a beautiful, rural town in perpetuity. They join a long list of families that have cared enough about their land, and about maintaining Gilford's rural character to take definitive action. We express our thanks to each and every one of those families, and many others, who have so generously donated conservation easements or supported our fund-raising efforts.

We encourage citizens to contact us if they are interested in protecting their land for conservation purposes, and also to discuss possible tax advantages.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett McLaughlin, Chair
Sandra T. McGonagle, Sec.
Russell Dumais
Diane Hanley
Douglas Hill, Esq.
Stephan Nix
Jack Woodward

KIMBALL WILDLIFE FOREST COMMITTEE

During 2008, the Kimball Wildlife Forest Committee continued to maintain the trail system and manage the land in the Kimball Wildlife Forest. Citizens are encouraged to hike the Lakeview Trail, which provides beautiful views of the mountain and the Broads on Lake Winnepesaukee. Panoramic binoculars in the glade area of the Lakeview trail accent the views of the lake and the mountains. Continuing a hike on the Quarry Trail provides a great history of the site, which is the location where many of the stones used to build the castle were mined.

The Kimball Wildlife Forest Committee was established by the Board of Selectmen in May, 1990, with the charge to address the "remaining land" at Kimball Castle, which includes all the land of the Kimball Castle Property, excluding 20 acres surrounding the Castle. Two miles of trails have been completed on the property and were formally opened to the public in the Spring of 1992.

The trail system, consisting of the Lakeview trail and the Quarry trail, starts approximately 100 feet from the entrance to the parking area of Route 11. The trail is marked by blue rectangles with interpretive stations indicated by numbers. Trail guides are available in the mailbox at the entrance to the trail. It is estimated that nearly 500 hikers a week make the trek to the top of Lockes Hill during the hiking seasons. Over 1000 trail maps are distributed each year to hikers and students in our schools.

Anyone interested in working with the Kimball Wildlife Forest Committee may contact the Board of Selectmen at 527-4700.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra T. McGonagle, Chair
Sumner Dole
Joan Veazey
Bob Dean
George Labonte
Kristie Katz

REPORT OF THE ENERGY COMMITTEE

On September 12, 2007, the Board of Selectmen moved to form the Gilford Energy Committee (GEC) as an advisory panel regarding energy issues in the Town of Gilford and to become an energy resource for citizens, businesses and the Town of Gilford. The Board made appointments of a five member committee on October 24, 2007, and held an organizational meeting on November 14, 2007 at which the Committee appointed the committee Chair. On September 10, 2008 the selectman approved an increase in committee members from five to seven. Several appointments are currently open.

The GEC recognizes that not everyone in our community and not everyone in the broader scientific community agree upon the causes and effects of global warming. In fact, there is not consensus among our committee members. We recognize the potential political and policy differences that can result from differences in opinion on the human impact on global warming and climate change. Rather than allow our differences to cause inaction, we prefer to take a practical view of the issue upon which we can all agree. To this end, we offer the question:

Why are energy efficiency and renewable energy so important to the Town of Gilford?

1 It saves money. Plain and simple, New England has among the highest energy costs in the nation. As homeowners and business owners, we are consumers of energy and we pay dearly for its use. As tax payers, we are also rate payers for municipal energy use. Measures to save on electricity, heating, air conditioning and transportation will save us money.

2 It cuts pollution. Energy use is the number one source of air pollution in New England. Energy from renewable sources emits fewer pollutants during production and use. Burning fossil fuels to generate electricity, to heat our buildings and to transport people and goods produces pollutants that are not desirable to breathe or to have collect in our atmosphere.

3 It reduces our reliance on foreign sources of energy. Energy demand is growing at 2% per year in New England. Energy efficiency can reduce the probability of price increases and supply disruptions by reducing demand. Renewable energy places production near end use, diversifies energy supply and supports domestic production. Supporting domestic and local energy production is an investment in our community rather than an expenditure that sends our energy dollars out of the region or country. Supporting renewable energy production is a self reliant action that can be accomplished at the individual, institutional and community level

The mission of the Gilford Energy Committee is to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

Committee Overall Goals

- 1 To educate all segments of the Gilford community (residential, commercial and municipal) about the importance of energy efficiency, renewable energy and emissions reductions;
- 2 To research appropriate methods of conservation, energy efficiency, renewable energy and emissions reductions techniques that fit with the unique character of the Town of Gilford;
- 3 To become a resource for residential, commercial and municipal sectors available to assist individuals, businesses and Town officials in energy use decisions, policy and planning;
- 4 To encourage residents, businesses and the Town of Gilford to take action now to plan for our community energy future.
- 5 To build long term community resilience through adaptation planning, strategies and action

Town Goals

- 1 Finding ways to reduce Town vehicle trips, especially when it comes to police patrols and snow maintenance
- 2 Promoting the acquisition of more fuel efficient engines and motors
- 3 Analysis of geothermal and wind, hydro and solar conversions
- 4 Promoting recycling,
- 5 Convincing PSNH to experiment with street lighting alternatives,
- 6 Installing energy control measures in town buildings, etc.

One day we will achieve energy independence but it will have to come from a blend of components. Some will come from clean sources like geothermal, wind, hydro solar and nuclear fusion. Note I did not mention Nuclear Fission which is current technology. In the future nuclear fusion will replace it. We are all looking forward to that day.

**Town of Gilford, New Hampshire
Deliberative Session
“First Session”
February 4, 2008**

AT 7:07 p.m. Peter Millham, Town Moderator, opened the deliberative session with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were approximately 94 voters in attendance. Millham introduced the following officials seated on the stage: Denise Morrisette, Town Clerk – Tax Collector; Dick Hickok, Budget Committee Chairman; Alice Boucher, Selectman Chairperson; “Connie” Grant, Selectman; “Gus” Benavides, Selectman; Evans Juris, Town Administrator; Debra Shackett, Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Director; Attorney Walter Mitchell, Town Council.

The Moderator explained the basic rules of the meeting to be as follows: All debate courteous, no name calling, all debate must be relative to the article. Moderator will stop all irrelevant discussion. No disorder. Failure to comply with Moderator’s orders will be asked to leave. Moderator Millham stated that the Body may overrule him. The Moderator explained the procedure for discussing an Article would be to move and second the Article. The Budget and other Articles would be moved by the Budget Committee Chairman, the Board of Selectmen, a petitioner or anyone else who would like to move the Article. There would be an opportunity to explain the Article. Speakers would have five minutes the first time and two minutes the second time. Floor speakers must use the microphone to be sure everyone is heard. Amendments must be in writing and stated in the positive. Yes means your in favor of the subject. There will not be any amendments to amendments. Once the amendment is disposed of by passage or defeat a secession of amendments to follow. The Moderator explained that there is a responsibility not to change the language for the March ballot. There will be no final vote. Articles will be placed on the ballot for a final vote. You may move the question to move to the next article. Motion to dispose of amendments will not be allowed. There is no power to remove amendments from the ballot. Moderator has the ability to make rulings but may be over ruled by the majority. There will be an Acting Moderator in place of Moderator Millham for Article 4 to prevent any conflict of interest.

Election of Officers:

Article 1: To choose the necessary Town Officers for the following year.

List of candidates provided as a hand out by Denise Morrisette, Town Clerk – Tax Collector

Zoning Ordinance Amendments

The Moderator read Article 2 as follows:

Article 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 8.4.8, Changeable Copy Signs, by adding to the existing Section 8.4.8 regulations regarding Electronic Changeable Copy Signs. The proposed regulations limit the frequency at which messages are allowed to change; restrict hours of operation; and prohibit certain display methods including, but not limited to, flashing and image movement.

John Ayer explained that the town has approved six or seven electronic signs recently. He further explained that this was addressing lettering signs that change. The ordinance was taken from regulations that have been applied to other illuminating signs.

Question: Chan Eddy asked about the brightness of signs.

John Ayer: The Planning Board did discuss brightness and color but after discussion did not come up with any language to address the issue. The Planning Board is looking at a time frame restriction.

Question: Kevin Hayes asked if this would cause any restriction to construction zones.

John Ayer: There are currently regulatory governmental ordinances regarding construction zones.

Joe Hoffman: Stated that there has been a sign shining on his property since 1986. He further stated that a bulletin board light is shining on it right now.

John Ayer: Referred Mr. Hoffman to notify the Code Enforcement Officer to address it at a later date.

Question: Dr. Don Carey wanted to know if the question was asked about the brightness of signs and asked why there is no way to address the issue.

John Ayer: Replied that there is a way to address the issue but the Planning Board has not reached a conclusion to date.

Question: Dr. Carey asked if there is a limit on the brightness?

John Ayer: Stated that it could be addressed as a public nuisance.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 3 as follows:

Article 3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend subparagraph (a) of Section 5.2.1, Island and Shore Frontage District, by increasing the minimum setback required from Lake Winnepesaukee, Saltmarsh Pond, Lily Pond, Poor Farm Brook, Meadow Brook, Jewett Brook, Gunstock River, or any other year-round brook, from forty (40) feet to fifty (50) feet.

John Ayer: Acknowledged that the State laws and regulation concerning the Department of Environmental Services (DES) has changed this past year effective 4/1/08 Protection Water Act. A 40' set back in the ordinance is to change with the State regulation of 50' with other restrictions as listed.

Peter Millham: Wanted to know if Grand fathered structures were okay.

Joe Hoffman: Stated that nothing is Grand fathered unless it's recorded. He further stated that a plan must be recorded at Belknap County Registry of Deeds.

Rick Moses: Asked what would happen if we don't pass this article and ignore it? Will he need modifications to his house?

John Ayer: Stated that the result would be 40' from brooks and rivers and you would still have to meet State requirements.

Joe Hoffman: Wanted Walter Mitchell to give a legal response to the Grand fathering of the set back.

Peter Millham: Informed Mr. Hoffman that Attorney Walter Mitchell would need to research before answering his question. Moderator Millham further stated that Mr. Hoffman's question might be out of order.

Joe Hoffman: Replied that he was not out of order.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

Moderator Cameron read Article 4 as follows:

Article 4: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by petition for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Gilford by changing from the Resort Commercial (RC) Zone to the Single Family Residential (SFR) Zone the area along the southwesterly side of Route 11, a/k/a Lake Shore Road, generally between the Alton town line and Highland Drive.

(The Planning Board does not recommend the adoption of this amendment.)

John Ayer: Referred the voters to a handout that was provided with a map including a verbal description. Referred to shaded area Resort Commercial (RC) to Single Family Residential (SFR).

Joe Hoffman: 1988 passed a warrant article in Varney point area from SFR to RC.

Joe explained that it was a Superior Court Ruling. He further explained this is a defective warrant article. Mr. Hoffman said that Attorney Mitchell should respond or be terminated.

Steve Nicks: Stated that he and his wife we in favor of the article. If the ordinance passes, current uses and Grandfathering would be allowed. He further explained that Rt. 11 is a very narrow section, with no shoulders on the road. Probability that this area would convert to RS is almost nil in his opinion. Rezoning makes sense for the area of single-family homes.

Jack Stephenson: spoke in opposition to changing the zoning. Jack referred to the ordinance as "spot zoning." He has an area that would make a nice campground. He referred to this Article as "spite zoning."

Polly Sanfacon: Chair of Planning Board – explained that The Planning Board is to "recommend" or "not recommend" on petition articles; with no time to study the unintended consequences, but the Board will be studying certain areas of the town in the future.

Moderator asked if there were any objections to Ms. Peggy Ames to speaking, as she is not a registered voter of the Town. Hearing no objections the Moderator gave Ms. Ames the floor.

Peggy Ames: Non-resident spoke in opposition to the article with history of Ames Farm Inn. She explained how this article threatens their family business.

Joe Hoffman: stated that in the 1990's Goodhue provided waterfront owners a booklet how to develop water front property. He said that Section 9.1A requires registry of deeds for recording of plans. He further stated that Attorney Dyer and Millham have a conflict of interest with Winnepesaukee Yacht Club and never submitted a site plan for Planning Board review. Pointing at Walter Mitchell he further stated the he felt Attorney Mitchell could not represent the town in this case.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

Other Municipal Articles

Moderator Millham read Article 5 as follows:

Article 5: Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling **\$10,825,284**? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **\$10,874,772** which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Alice Boucher

Richard Hickok: Explained that the operating budget including sewer detailed on pages 17 & 18 of the hand out. The over all budget was up 1.5% since last year. He further stated that the Budget Committee as a whole was pretty pleased with this budget amount.

Joe Hoffman: Does this article include the tasers?

Mr. Hickok: Replied Yes.

Joe Hoffman: Stated that a local newspaper showed Gus shooting the officer with a taser. He further stated that the officer was in pain and needed help; at the bottom of the picture it says "we can't wait to use this on Joe." Mr. Hoffman said, "That's me. I've never resisted arrest. Eliminate the amount. Amend \$15K from the budget."

Second to the motion: Don Carey seconded the motion to amend.

The Moderator opened the floor for discussion on the Amendment:

Kevin Keenan: Informed Mr. Hoffman that, "The statement made in the newspaper was not made by anyone in the PD. A lot of research has been on the officer's safety and tasers allow the officers to work with the individual. The tasers affects lasts for five seconds. The taser affects the skeletal muscles. Law enforcement has used it for several years and it has proven to be good and reliable."

Don Carey: Made a comment about the reduction to the line item or to the general budget and wanted to know if there have been fatalities anywhere?

Keenan: Taser International research shows no fatalities from being tased but victims have died from other problems such as drug over dose.

Evans Juris: Stated that the amendment would only reduce the general appropriation and is not line item specific.

Rick Moses: Asked, "Who are you?"

Keenan: Replied, "Captain of the PD."

Moses: Stated that he believes the statement that noone has died is false. He states there have been deaths and heart attacks. He is not against tasers but is against false information.

Hickok: Budge Committee had a demonstration had mixed anti-tasers. After discussion and demonstration the vote was almost unanimous and felt it was a useful tool for the Police Department.

Diana Goodhue: Is every Patrol officer going to have one of these or the higher ranking ones only?

Keenan: answered that specifically trained officers would have them but not everyone.

Millham: Wanted to know how many tasers it would buy.

Keenan: Answered that it would buy around 8 tasers.

Eddy: Asked if part of certification is that the officer becomes a victim?

Keenan: Confirmed that it is part of the certification.

Joe Hoffman: spoke about our attorney knowing that shock treatments are illegal and would like to hear from council.

Theresa Walker: Stated that she thought that tasers are preset; not up to the officers to set and wanted to know if that was correct?

Keenan: That is correct, they are preset mini computers. USB cable will download a log of the use.

John Goodhue: Concerned about the safety. Rick Moses retired engineer of Duracell would have a good idea about these. John is afraid of legal problems or someone dying.

Keenan: Training and policy will be used with caution with guidelines.

Chief Markland: Stated that he has worked these streets since 1988 and he has seen a lot of things most citizens have not seen. This past Friday, an officer was assaulted and spit into his face. If they had a taser it may have changed the scenario. Chief spoke in favor of the tasers and asked to voters to support the purchase.

Millham read the question to reduce by \$15K:

A voice vote was taken on the Amendment and the Amendment was declared defeated.

Dick Campbell: Default budget is greater than the recommended budget.

Deb Shackett: Last years budget was considerably higher.

Barry Grevatt: He rises to speak in favor of line items. He is being well served by Public Works Dept. Opportunity to say employees are doing a good job.

Everett McLaughlin: Wetland and GIS with Planning Board funding. Do you need funding for other half?

John Ayer: Wouldn't appear in this year's budget. Yes, it is enough funding.

Chan Eddy: Asked if default budget is because of debt services?

Shackett: It went up for the Bean Property and the Fire Truck is in debt services.

Doug Lambert: Clarification exact impact on tax rate per thousand?

Deb Shackett: "We don't know what are assessed value would be. If no money applied from undesignated balance. It would be a .19-cent increase."

Joe Hoffman: Made referenced to the road on Governor's Island and further stated that he was unable to research and locate the deed to the town. He further stated that, "If we don't have one we should get one." "Governor's Club Island is tax exempt," Joe said, "Lakeshore Park Assoc. has private roads. They maintain their own roads." Joe further stated that, "The Town should not be doing any roads for them. Mitchell should be in on this. GIC is a for profit company according to the Secretary of States office."

Sheldon Morgan: Informed Mr. Hoffman that he had the paperwork at his office to show that Governor's Island roads are owned by the town. LSP has chosen to keep their roads private.

Doug Lambert: Member of Budget committee. Don't lose sight of the good facts and presentation of the budget and Thank the Selectmen for employee contributions to health insurance.

Barry Grevatt: Solid waste disposal line item discussed the amount being lowered? Is there a story behind these numbers? Recycling program?

Sheldon: reduced are anticipating a reduction in solid waste. Paper, metal and papers coming out of waste stream. There is a small profit. Have to give the co-op a guess each year. Money is set-aside in anticipation. Last year did not have to spend allotment. Will vary up and down each year.

Terry Stewart: Budge Committee has subcommittees that go through the budget line items. He feels there have been very informative meetings in regards to recycling.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 6 as follows:

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fourteen thousand dollars (\$214,000) to purchase a new ambulance and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred ten thousand dollars (\$110,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of one hundred four thousand dollars (\$104,000) is to come from general taxation.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Connie Grant Presentation – Richard Hickok

Dick Hickok: time to replace the ambulance about every six years. The number one ambulance will move to number two ambulance. Some of the money would be coming from the Capital Reserve.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 7 as follows:

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to be added to the Police Facility Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from undesignated fund balance and no amount

to be raised from taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Gus Benavides

Dick Hickok: The Facility planning group needs funds to continue their work.

Dick Campbell: Opposition to the article. Objects to the way this is being handled.

Mr. Campbell stated Capt. Reserve funds are good use. Money would be put aside for some major expenses coming in the future and it's untouchable until it's time to spend it. It then takes an article on the warrant a people approve the spending of it. Agents are named to remove the funds from the Capital Reserve funds, they can take the money out at any time and the people are cut out of the action all together.

There are some situations where that phrase is necessary. Has there been any discussion of the use of the agents to expend clause? Does not apply to Articles 9 & 10. Articles 7, 8 & 11-16 objects to the Board being named the agents to expend.

Joseph Hoffman: Spoke about Weeks Farm Article in 2004 and wanted to know if there was a capital reserve fund? "Why did it go from \$176K to \$500K? Deputy treasurer signed the town checks" and Joe stated that he "thinks she resigned because of it." Joe explained that the taxpayers are the Legislative Body.

Moderator asked Joe to sit down; he has had the floor for 5 minutes.

Alice Boucher: Asked, "Is Mr. Campbell asking to have the Board listed as agents?"

Dick Campbell: Answered, "No, it was determined prior to and therefore he is against the article."

Evans Juris: 2004 amended on the floor of Town meeting. Total cost was approx. \$500K.

Assessed value: 457,500 for 236 acres.

Joe Hoffman: Wants to know about the assessed value

Millham: asked Mr. Hoffman to be quiet.

Joe: Answered, "No!"

Connie Grant: Remarked, "Mr. Campbell can see the point. This is going towards a lot of little pieces. It would be cumbersome to bring to the people for vote. It's to be able to bring a complete set of plans to the taxpayers."

Joe Hoffman: Speaking out of order.

Millham: Stated, "Joe doesn't have the floor."

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 8 as follows:

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Alice Boucher Presentation – Richard Hickok

Hickok: Informed the audience that this Article was in preparation of repairing bridges.

Joe Hoffman: Who maintains the Bridge to Governor's Island?

Sheldon Morgan: Answered, “Fifty percent Gilford, fifty percent Laconia. Property line splits the bridge in half.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 9 as follows:

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Connie Grant Presentation – Richard Hickok

Dick Hickok: Explained that the money has been being used for heavy equipment for many years.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 10 as follows:

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Ambulance Replacement Capital Reserve Fund.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Gus Benavides Presentation – Richard Hickok

Dick Hickok: For use of the next replacement ambulance.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 11 as follows:

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of the maintenance of the Glendale Boat and Launch Ramp Facilities and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Alice Boucher Presentation – Richard Hickok

Dick Hickok: To address dock 1 and the one beside it. It will take a couple of years to fund this project.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 12 as follows:

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of maintaining the Town's Recreation Facilities and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty two thousand dollars (\$22,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Connie Grant Presentation – Richard Hickok

Dick Hickok: New Capital Reserve approach to put funds aside for the Recreation committee to use for swings at the village field. It will take several years to fund.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 13 as follows:

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Sewer Capital Reserve Fund.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Gus Benavides Presentation – Richard Hickok

Hickok: New Capital Reserve particular to the sewer. There is no fund for emergencies.

Joe Hoffman: Sewer fund and users. Is there a deficit being carried by the sewer?

Dick Hickok: No deficit.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 14 as follows:

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of funding Water Supply Maintenance and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Alice Boucher Presentation – Richard Hickok

Hickok: New Capital reserve to cover a new system in town. Some developments have water supply ponds that the town is liable for.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 15 as follows:

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Compensated Absences Capital Reserve Fund.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Connie Grant Presentation – Richard Hickok

Hickok: Explained that this Article is to set money aside for long-term employees leaving. Trying to accumulate for future funding.

Doug Lambert: This liability is accumulated sick time and holiday pay has been fixed and will become less in the future.

Joseph Hoffman: Are you talking about accrued benefits? Who keeps the records of vacation time?

Dick Hickok: Debbie Shackett

Joseph Hoffman: asked about payout of time to Phil Arel. How did he accumulate a package of \$35K?

Millham: Replied to Mr. Hoffman that, "This was not the issue before us tonight" and asked Mr. Hoffman to "Please take a seat."

Hoffman: Replied, "No."

Millham: Asked Mr. Hoffman to put his request it in writing.

Hoffman: Answered, "The Administrator should be fired."

Millham: Asked Joe to "Sit down, please."

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator Read Article 16 as follows:

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Gus Benavides Presentation – Richard Hickok

Dick Hickok: New Capital reserve fund in regards to expensive repairs such as the elevator.

Chan Eddy: Aimed at just town hall?

Hickok: All Town Buildings.

Bill Johnson: New fund?

Hickok: Yes

Johnson: Wording is not similar to Article 14.

Hickok: Made a correction that it was not a new fund. The fund just hasn't been funded in awhile.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 17 as follows:

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$110,000 for use by the Library Trustees at the new library. Funding to be provided from the proceeds of the sale of land at 43 Potter Hill Road, parcel number 226-078.001. This parcel was purchased in 2004 to build a new library. This article is a one-time appropriation and is contingent upon adequate proceeds from the sale of the land. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Mover – Richard Hickok Second – Alice Boucher

Debra Shackett: Explained that the Article allows the proceeds of the sale of the parcel to be returned to the Library for their use. Any proceeds over \$150K will be deposited to the General Fund.

Joe Hoffman: Remarked, "Should have been consolidated. Peter V. Millham violation of 91A and shouldn't be Moderator. Assess \$27K we paid 160K for 3 acres. Warrant Article should have included the assessed value."

Millham gave Mr. Hoffman a 30 second warning.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 18 as follows:

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$32,359 for the Youth Services Bureau. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Mover – Connie Grant Second – Gus Benavides

Evans Juris: Program that has been in existence over 20 years and is used by law enforcement and the community.

Dick Hickok: Budget committee's position on these has been a delma whether to use taxpayer's dollars to fund these committees. The BC recommended lumping them together to see if the voters want to fund the "outside" agencies.

Lee Duncan: Differ with what to use taxpayer's dollars for. Early intervention will prevent spending dollars in the future.

David Osman: Express thanks to the BC. Differ with respect to the committee on this and other articles to follow. Speaks in favor of the programs. Question is this the proper role of Government? People have different views. Mr. Osman states he is no expert. Before the meeting he researched the Bill of Rights in defining the general purposes of Government. Refers to social responsibility. Developing laws and the proper execution of those laws.

Joseph Hoffman: Discussed the Bill of Rights. No officers of multiple positions in Government in reference to ZBA, and Planning Board.

Millham: Told Mr. Hoffman he was not speaking to the article.

Hoffman: Responded, "Osman represented Winnepesaukee Yacht Club."

Millham: Warned Mr. Hoffman that he was not talking about the issue before us and asked Joe to sit down.

Hoffman: Asked, "What's your problem?" You also lied in a case.

Millham: Replied, "Please sit down." The Moderator looked at the Police Officers and stated, "Please escort him out."

Constable Hopkins escorted Hoffman from the meeting.

Skip Murphy: Asks what is the proper role of government for funding these charities. Budget Committee said they all did good work but sated some taxpayers may wish not to contribute to these outside agencies. Funding should be done privately. Taxpayers now have a choice. Murphy spoke in opposition.

Bill Johnson: Argument is that these agencies bring a benefit to the town. The town would have to expend additional monies to support these. Are amounts requested to the Town?

Dick Hickok: yes, requests are from agencies with significant amount of input to the Budget Committee. He further stated, "Maybe the welfare budget will go up after this."

Johnson: Any attempt to some how link the value of the agency to the Town.

Hickok: Replied, "Yes."

Julie McConnell: Stated that she wanted to correct Juris, as she was the founder of this Bureau. She further stressed that there is a responsibility to the community to fund these organizations. They spend 2 hours on capital request for \$800K and these organizations are requesting \$80K for services to this community. Spoke in support.

Alida Millham: Spoke in support of all the agencies. Each agency is required by the State to submit to the Charitable Trust a report. Social service Fed grants dollars that must be locally met. 35 years ago the state hospital was closed there is an RSA that local community would support mental health centers. Concern of the popularity contest and hopes all organizations will be supported.

Erika Johnson: Gilford Welfare Director. All agencies are very needed in this community. Welfare budget is already up 17% this year. Salvation Army and St. Vincent DePaul have been very supportive to Gilford.

Doug Lambert: Previous discussion on what is the role of Government? More questions are what is the role of the property tax dollar? County and Federal funds are also given. All good services but at what point does it become the responsibility of the town. Some are charitable organizations such as St. Vince DePaul and Salvation Army. Individuals should be able to decide to fund for not. Taxpayers could lose the roof over their heads. BC voted to bring it to the people is true. Once and for all it will go to the taxpayers to see what the role of government is.

Dale Dormody: Budge Committee member speaking personally. Misleading statement on each warrant article that the budget committee. Questions on how much cost vs. how much if not paid by taxpayers. No public discussion on individual responses. Instead the entire specific debate was set a side in favor of Mr. Murphy's argument is this the proper role of government. Personal opinion after review, each agency provides services in excess of the amount requested. Not debated.

Dick Hickok: past members were satisfied that they were discussed.

Dale Dormody: each budget committee should discuss this each year even as erroneous as it may seem should be held each year.

Chief Markland: spoke in favor of the Article and has seen first hand the results of the services.

Look at the full picture of first time juvenile offenders. You will pay court costs.

Richard Keller: Thank Mr. Dormody for his comments. He further stated that Article 18-24 should be open to town discussion and that it is valuable. Several Budget Committee Representatives recognize the value of all of these agencies. “Outside agencies” is mislabeling and they are town agencies. He was told by the Budget Committee that someone else is paying for these and that “Gilford should.” .01 cent of the tax rate on a home of \$200k it is a cost of \$2.00. He further stated that the Budget Committee fell short of their expectations of the town.

Terry Stewart: Stated that everyone was trying to do the right thing and further stated that it is difficult. Mr. Stewart did pour over the data. The physical matter is after pouring over the data you could come to the dollar with grants etc. but it is a value to the community. Emotional decision will look at the heart of each person. The Budget Committee thinks this will be a one-time deal to put it out to the voters to prevent the debating.

Mary Frost: Spoke about articles 18 –24 in favor and reminded people that these are matching funds. “Pay it now, or pay it later.”

Rick Moses: Budget Committee speaks of a great benefit to the town. Why didn’t they vote to recommend them?

Skip Murphy: The town “should” support these agencies. All these people think it’s Government that should fund these agencies. Skip suggested that all these people speaking in favor should support these agencies but not with tax dollars. Decisions were not made lightly or on a whim, members spent hours going over the material.

Dick Hickok: Committee of 12 people, when you take a vote you gets a split in the votes. The majority was against doing it because of the tax dollars.

Alice Boucher: Budget Committee asked the Board of Selectmen to do it as one warrant article. The Board of Selectmen felt that if someone did want to support one agency then the whole article would fail. The Board decided to do separate articles.

Alice spoke in favor of all the articles.

John Rogers: Spoke in support to pay now instead of later when in crisis. Many people go out and raise money for these agencies and donate personal funds. Look at their budgets to see how the agencies are supported.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 19 as follows:

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$23,500 for Community Health and Hospice, Inc. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Mover – Alice Boucher Second – Connie Grant Presentation – Evans Juris, Debra

Russ Armstrong: Cotton Hill. Use of outside agencies should be referred to as town agencies. Bring in \$420K worth of services to this town. Every charitable one-dollar they raise two dollars to match. Look at the numbers and what they are doing for the community. Spoke in support.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 20 as follows:

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Mover – Gus Benavides Second – Alice Boucher Presentation – Evans Juris, Debra

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 21 as follows:

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,345 for the Community Action Program. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Mover – Connie Grant Second – Gus Benavides Presentation – Evans Juris, Debra

Jane Gauthier, Brookside Crossing: spoke in favor of funding the Community Action program and explained the services provided to Gilford Residents and meeting their needs. 52% of funds are Federal. \$115K homes have received fuel assistance. Statistics have been provided to the Budget Committee to back up the request; \$217K used last year by the Town of Gilford for services.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 22 as follows:

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,800 for New Beginnings. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Mover – Alice Boucher Second – Connie Grant

Deb Hastings: Wild Acres Rd. Spoke in support.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 23 as follows:

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,749 for Genesis Behavioral Health. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Mover – Gus Benavides Second – Alice Boucher

Sue Smith: Asked for help and support from the Town of Gilford. Help the severely mentally ill residents between the ages of 18-59 with basic life support issues. 166 Gilford residents have received assistance this year.

Chan Eddy: Chestnut Dr. Received funding from Belknap County? Spoke in reference to the outside agencies not be within the government.

John Rogers: spoke in favor.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 24 as follows:

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,330 for the American Red Cross. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Mover – Connie Grant Second – Gus Benavides

Jim Hayes: Fire Chief spoke in favor of support the American Red Cross. Title associates to being a national organization and are responsible for raising their own local dollars for local disasters that are not considered a national disaster. American Red Cross does have a roll in placement with fires. It's a matter of which budget do you want it to come out of? The Welfare budget or this one?

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 25 as follows:

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to pay the Town Clerk/Tax Collector an annual stipend of \$57,952. In addition the Town Clerk/Tax Collector shall be entitled to 95% of the premium for the town's health insurance plan, 100% of the dental insurance premium, 100% of the short and long term disability plans, life insurance with a face value of 165% of the annual stipend (not to exceed \$100,000). Additionally, the Town will continue making contributions to the NH State Retirement System at the effective contribution rate (currently 8.74%). Total value of package is \$74,588.

Mover – Alice Boucher Second – Connie Grant

Millham explained funds are in the budget.

Deb Shackett: To establish a level of funding for the TC-TC position.

Barry Grevatt: Every year?

Deb Shackett: Stated, it was to get on the books so you could live with it.

Millham: Asked if salary increases would be another warrant article.

Shackett: Answered, "Correct."

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 26 as follows:

Article 26: To see if the taxpayers of the Town of Gilford will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to support the activities and facilities of the Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association, a 501(c)(3) tax exempt charitable organization that operates a variety of sailing programs for residents of the Lakes Region. These programs include: a Youth Sailing School; a Community Sailing Program for adults; and a soon to be established Adaptive Sailing Program for physically and mentally challenged children and adults, including wounded veterans returning from combat operations. Programs are open to all Lakes Region residents regardless of their ability to pay. **(Submitted by Petition) (Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Mover – John Rocklis 112 Varney Point Rd., Left

Second – Kevin Hayes

John Rocklis explained the youth service program. He further explained about moving the facility.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 27 as follows:

Article 27: To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor:

Resolved: We the citizens of Gilford, NH believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the “Pledge”, have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes. **(Submitted by Petition)**

Mover- John Rogers

Second – Barry Grevatt

Rogers: NH property taxes are high people on fixed budgets are having difficulty paying on limited income. Trying to make taxes in NH fair.

Chan Eddy: Other ways of taxation have failed miserable in other states. NH has lower over all tax burdens. Income and sales tax will result in a continued high property tax.

Doug Lambert: Spoke in concern with broad based taxes and not supporting our local government control. Spoke in opposition of the article.

John Rogers: Spoke in support of the Article.

Skip Murphy: Spoke in opposition. High spending equals high taxes keep control local.

John Goodhue: Spoke in opposition of the Article.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 28 as follows:

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote as per RSA 32:5 V-a to require that all votes by the Selectmen and Town Budget Committee relative to Town budget items or warrant articles be recorded votes and a numerical tally of any such vote be printed in the Town warrant next to the affected warrant article. **(Submitted by Petition)**

Mover- Dale Dormody

Second – Doug Lambert

Dale Dormody: Next years ballot will have a vote next to the “for” or “against” on each Article. It will show the split of votes.

Doug Lambert: spoke in support of the Article and giving information to the voters.

Dick Hickok: Will this be printed on the ballot along with the warrant.

Millham: Millham read the statute and the statute states that the warrant is not stated on the “ballot.”

Skip Murphy: Wants to amend to add each member’s vote.

Dale Dormody: The language was from DRA. The intent was to put it on the ballot. The courts did not allow individual names.

Skip Murphy: Stated that there was no need to do the amendment.

With no further discussion the Moderator moved to the next Article.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise A. Morrisette, NHCTC-TC
Town Clerk – Tax Collector

Town of Gilford, New Hampshire
“Second Session” Election Results
March 11, 2008

The polling place was readied with instructions in the booths and posting of sample ballots, instructions, Zoning Protest Petition and warrants were done. The 2007 Town reports were available. Inspectors of Elections were Donna Mooney, Shirley Snow, Rutha “Betty” Helfrich and Diane Tinkham. Wayne Snow was sworn in as Assistant Moderator in January for the year.

The vote tabulator machine had been tested on Wednesday, March 5, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. in Conference Room B at the Gilford Town Hall. Ballots were counted at the same time and put into sets of 25 for Election Day. Peter Millham, Denise Morrisette, Jennifer Mooney and Wayne Snow conducted the testing and counted the ballots. The testing of the machine confirmed with the hand tally and was found to be working 100% accurately.

The Inspectors of Elections were instructed to give a full set of ballots (two white town ballots and one yellow school ballot) to each voter. Moderator Millham cautioned about electioneering. The Moderator announced that a protest petition has been received on Article 4, Amendment #3 on the official ballot for the Town. The Moderator explained that a 2/3 vote would be needed for passage instead of a majority vote. Moderator Millham continued to read the warrant through Article 1. Wayne snow made a motion to skip the reading of the warrant as it was already posted. Morrisette seconded the motion. All present were in favor. The polling box was verified that it was empty before the first voter was checked-in. The polls were declared opened at 7:03 a.m.

The Moderator gave Morrisette a receipt for 155 cast (absentee) ballots and 3,525 uncast (official) ballots. At 1:00 p.m. Snow, Boucher, Benavides, Millham and Mooney began processing absentee ballots. Snow announced the names and addresses as Mooney opened the ballots to be processed. Boucher, Benavides and Millham placed the ballots in the machine for counting.

At 7:00 p.m. the Moderator announced the polls closed, a few voters were in the booth completing their ballots. School District Clerk, Kim Varricchio and Morrisette excused themselves from the counting of the ballots, as they were both candidates. When all the booths were emptied Snow began running the results of the tally machine and emptying the ballot boxes to count the write-in candidates. Mooney put a team of officials together for the counting of the write-ins. The Moderator read the results.

The total number of registered voters at the opening of the polls was 6139; at the close of the polls 16 newly registered voters were added to the list for a total of 6155 registered voters. The total numbers of ballots cast were 1726 (including absentee ballots). The results ended with a 28% voter turn out.

The following are the voting results:

SELECTMAN THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

J. KEVIN HAYES	726 (Elected)
JOHN GOODHUE, JR.	700
DENNIS CORRIGAN	198
JOSEPH F. HOFFMAN	30
DALE CHANNING EDDY	26

Write-in:

Andy Upton	1
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TOWN TREASURER THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

KAREN SAUNDERS	1549 (Elected)
JOSEPH F. HOFFMAN	97

Write-in:

TOWN CLERK – TAX COLLECTOR THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

DENISE A. MORRISSETTE	1558 (Elected)
JOSEPH F. HOFFMAN	91

Write-in:

Evans Juris	3
Reed Gokey	1
Jennifer Carrier	1

MODERATOR TWO YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

JOSEPH F. HOFFMAN	150
PETER V. MILLHAM	1491 (Elected)

Write-in:

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST SIX YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

NANCY MARCOUX	872 (Elected)
IRENE LACHANCE	

Write-in:	
Joe Hoffman	1
Gordon Berridge III	1
Steve Grant	1

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

WAYNE E. SNOW **1423 (Elected)**

Write-in:	
Joe Hoffman	2
John McGonagle	1
Kevin Roy	1
Simon Legree	1
Leo Sanfacon	1
Jack Stephenson	1
Paul Simoneau	1

FIRE ENGINEER THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

ROBERT J. HENDERSON, JR.	147
"DON" SPEAR	1043 (Elected)
JOHN J. MCDEVITT, JR.	356

Write-in:	
Joe Hoffman	1
Jim McShane	1

LIBRARY TRUSTEE THREE-YEAR TERM VOTE NOT MORE THAN ONE:

WELDON BOSWORTH **1340 (Elected)**

Write-in:	
Joan Veazey	1
Joe Hoffman	1
Sean Patrick Murphy	1
Judy Cott	1
Doug Lambert	1

BUDGET COMMITTEE THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE:

TERRY J. STEWART	830 (Elected)
PHYLLIS CORRIGAN	555

SUSAN C. GREENE	938 (Elected)
SEAN PATRICK MURPHY	610
KEVIN ROY	734 (Elected)
ROBERT BRENT	560
JOSEPH F. HOFFMAN	102

Write-in:

Steve McCutcheon	1
Steve Carrier	1
Pat Labonte	1
John Goodhue	1
Polly Sanfacon	1
Greg Dickinson	1
Kevin Hayes	1
Karen Bianco	1
Doug Dade	1

Zoning Ordinance Amendment Questions

Article 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 8.4.8, Changeable Copy Signs, by adding to the existing Section 8.4.8 regulations regarding Electronic Changeable Copy Signs. The proposed regulations limit the frequency at which messages are allowed to change; restrict hours of operation; and prohibit certain display methods including, but not limited to, flashing and image movement.

**YES – 1233
PASSED**

NO – 405

Article 3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend subparagraph (a) of Section 5.2.1, Island and Shore Frontage District, by increasing the minimum setback required from Lake Winnepesaukee, Saltmarsh Pond, Lily Pond, Poor Farm Brook, Meadow Brook, Jewett Brook, Gunstock River, or any other year-round brook, from forty (40) feet to fifty (50) feet.

YES – 1280

NO – 364 PASSED

Article 4: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by petition for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Gilford by changing from the Resort Commercial (RC) Zone to the Single Family Residential (SFR) Zone the area along the southwesterly side of Route 11, a/k/a Lake Shore Road, generally between the Alton town line and Highland Drive.
(The Planning Board does not recommend the adoption of this amendment.)

YES – 619

NO – 1013 **FAILED**

Other Municipal Articles

Article 5: Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling **\$10,825,284**? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **\$10,874,772** which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

YES – 1389

NO – 238 **PASSED**

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fourteen thousand dollars (\$214,000) to purchase a new ambulance and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred ten thousand dollars (\$110,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of one hundred four thousand dollars (\$104,000) is to come from general taxation.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

YES – 1202

NO – 452 **PASSED**

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to be added to the Police Facility Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from undesignated fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

YES – 1102

NO – 539 PASSED

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

YES – 1344

NO – 293 PASSED

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

YES – 1324

NO – 310 PASSED

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Ambulance Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

YES – 1190

NO – 442 PASSED

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of the maintenance of the Glendale Boat and Launch Ramp Facilities and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES – 1212

NO – 431 PASSED

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of maintaining the Town's Recreation Facilities and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty two thousand dollars (\$22,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES – 1275

NO – 369 PASSED

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Sewer Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES – 1169

NO – 450 PASSED

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of funding Water Supply Maintenance and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

YES – 1171

NO – 464 PASSED

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Compensated Absences Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

YES – 971

NO – 630 PASSED

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES – 1266

NO – 364 PASSED

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$110,000 for use by the Library Trustees at the new library. Funding to be provided from the proceeds of the sale of land at 43 Potter Hill Road, parcel number 226-078.001. This parcel was purchased in 2004 to build a new library. This article is a one time appropriation and is contingent upon adequate proceeds from the sale of the land. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES – 1116

NO – 574 PASSED

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YES – 793

NO – 858 FAILED

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YES – 908

NO – 736 PASSED

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YES – 907

NO – 761 PASSED

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YES – 766

NO – 889 FAILED

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YES – 778

NO – 888 FAILED

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YES – 659

NO – 997 FAILED

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,330 for the American Red Cross. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES – 812

NO – 830 FAILED

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YES – 903

NO – 726 PASSED

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YES – 237

NO – 1434

FAILED

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YES – 926

NO – 685

PASSED

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YES – 1199

NO – 389

PASSED

The School District results are reported separately and kept by the School District Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Morrissette, NHCTC-TC
Town Clerk – Tax Collector

**TOWN OF GILFORD, NH
PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION
January 8, 2008**

The Presidential Primary election was held on the above date at the Gilford Middle School gym. Prior to the opening of the polls, Moderator, Peter Millham, Assistant Moderator, Wayne Snow, Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Denise Morrisette and Deputy Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Jennifer Mooney tested the Accuvote machine, prepared a hand tally and reported the results to the Secretary of State.

Inspectors of Elections, Shirley Snow, Ruth "Betty" Helfrich, Barbara Carey and Diane Tinkham were present. They, along with Selectmen, Alice Boucher, Constance Grant and Gustavo Benavides counted the number of ballots received from the Office of Secretary of State. Moderator, Peter Millham, Assistant Moderator, Wayne Snow, Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Denise Morrisette and Deputy Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Jennifer Mooney were also in attendance. Sheldon Morgan, Sandra Beland and Susan Jensen were given the oath of office as backup Inspectors of Elections. The ballots were counted and the Moderator signed a receipt for 2514 Republican ballots and 1612 Democratic ballots.

The zero tape was run on the Accuvote machine and the ballot box was inspected and revealed it to be empty. The Moderator instructed the voters to announce their name prior to entering the voting space and instructed the Inspectors to repeat the name back so that the poll watchers may hear it. The polls were declared open at 7 a.m.

At the beginning of the election, there were 5954 people on the checklist at the start of the polls. There were 199 new voters registered during the day. There were 894 voters that returned to undeclared status. There were 3572 ballots cast with the following results:

DEMOCRATIC BALLOT FOR

<u>PRESIDENT OF THE U. S.</u>	"JOE"	BIDEN	5
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE)	RICHARD	CALIGIURI	1
	EDWARD		
	KENNETH A	CAPALBO	1
	HILLARY	CLINTON	595
	"RANDY"	CROW	0
	"CHRIS"	DODD	0
	JOHN	EDWARDS	246
	MIKE	GRAVEL	2
	HENRY	HEWES	0
	WILLIAM C	HUGHES	0
	D. R.	HUNTER	0
	WILLIAM "BILL"	KEEFE	0

	CAROLINE P	KILLEEN	0
	"TOM"	KOOS	0
	"DENNIS J	KUCINICH	19
	DAL	LAMAGNA	0
	"TOM"	LAUGHLIN	0
<u>PRESIDENT OF THE U. S. (CONT)</u>	BARACK	OBAMA	668
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE)	"BILL"	RICHARDSON	80
	O.	SAVIOR	0
	MICHAEL	SKOK	0
(WRITE-IN)	RUDOLPH W	GIULIANI	2
(WRITE-IN)	"MIKE"	HUCKABEE	1
(WRITE-IN)	JOHN	MCCAIN	7
(WRITE-IN)	"RON"	PAUL	1
(WRITE-IN)	MITT	ROMNEY	5
<u>VICE PRESIDENT OF THE U. S.</u>	WILLIAM	BRYK	122
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE)	RAYMOND	STEBBINS	278
(WRITE-IN)	JOE	BIDEN	9
(WRITE-IN)	BILL	RICHARDSON	31
(WRITE-IN)	BARACK	OBAMA	45
(WRITE-IN)		MCKINNEY	1
(WRITE-IN)	JOHN	EDWARDS	68
(WRITE-IN)	HILLARY	CLINTON	21
(WRITE-IN)	JEANNE	SHEEHAN	1
(WRITE-IN)		ALLEN	1
(WRITE-IN)		BRADLEY	1
(WRITE-IN)	MIKE	GRAVEL	2
(WRITE-IN)	JOHN	STEWART	1
(WRITE-IN)	STEVEN	COLBERT	2
(WRITE-IN)	JOE	LIEBERMAN	1
(WRITE-IN)	BILL	CLINTON	1
(WRITE-IN)	AL	GORE	5
(WRITE-IN)	CHRIS	DODDS	2
(WRITE-IN)	COLIN	POWELL	2
(WRITE-IN)	DENNIS J	KUCINICH	1
(WRITE-IN)	WESLEY	CLARK	2
(WRITE-IN)	MAUREEN	MELLO	1
(WRITE-IN)	ALLEN	VOIVOD	1
(WRITE-IN)	SAMUEL	ALDRIDGE	1
(WRITE-IN)		KANYAKA	1
(WRITE-IN)		CLEMENT	1
(WRITE-IN)	JOHN	MCCAIN	2
(WRITE-IN)	ROLAND	DUBOIS	1
(WRITE-IN)		ROBERTS	1
(WRITE-IN)		MACIVER	1
(WRITE-IN)		BAHE	1
(WRITE-IN)		PAQUETTE	1

REPUBLICAN BALLOT FOR

PRESIDENT OF THE U. S.

(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE)

PRESIDENT OF THE U. S.	HUGH	CORT	0
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE)	JOHN	COX	0
	H. NEAL	FENDIG, JR	0
	DANIEL	GILBERT	2
	RUDOLPH W	GIULIANI	139
	ALBERT	HOWARD	0
	“MIKE”	HUCKABEE	139
	DUNCAN	HUNTER	8
	ALAN	KEYES	1
	MARK	KLEIN	0
	STEPHEN W	MARCHUK	0
	JOHN	MCCAIN	740
	JAMES	MITCHELL, JR	0
	CREIGHTON		
	CORNELIUS	O’CONNOR	0
	EDWARD		
	“RON”	PAUL	78
	MITT	ROMNEY	735
	JACK	SHEPARD	0
	VERMIN	SUPREME	0
	THOMAS G	TANCREDO	1
	FRED	THOMPSON	21
	“VERN”	WUENSCHÉ	1
(WRITE-IN)	HILLARY	CLINTON	18
(WRITE-IN)	JOHN	EDWARDS	15
(WRITE-IN)	BARACK	OBAMA	21
(WRITE-IN)	JOHN	MCCAIN	1
(WRITE-IN)	PATRICK J	BUCHANAN	1

VICE PRESIDENT OF THE U. S.

(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE)

	JOHN S "JACK"	BARNES, JR	270
(WRITE-IN)	HILLARY	CLINTON	3
(WRITE-IN)	RUDOLPH	GUILLIANI	40
(WRITE-IN)	ALAN	KEYES	6
(WRITE-IN)	DUNCAN	HUNTER	7
(WRITE-IN)	CONDOLEEZA	RICE	3
(WRITE-IN)	JOHN	MCCAIN	42
(WRITE-IN)	MITT	ROMNEY	23
(WRITE-IN)	FRED	THOMPSON	12
(WRITE-IN)	"MIKE"	HUCKABEE	26
(WRITE-IN)	TERRY	THOMASON	1
(WRITE-IN)	NEWT	GINGRICH	1
(WRITE-IN)	JEFF	NORCIA	1

(WRITE-IN)	JACK	MCDEVITT	1
(WRITE-IN)	BILL	CONNELLY	1
(WRITE-IN)	COLIN	POWELL	1
(WRITE-IN)	JOE	LIEBERMAN	6
(WRITE-IN)	MARK	MURPHY	1
(WRITE-IN)	STEVEN	COLBERT	1
(WRITE-IN)	JOHN	EDWARDS	6
(WRITE-IN)	JIM	COUGHLIN	1
(WRITE-IN)	RON	PAUL	10
(WRITE-IN)	PAUL	GOODWIN	1
(WRITE-IN)	GUSTAVO	BENAVIDES	1
(WRITE-IN)	RAYMOND	STEBBINS	1
(WRITE-IN)	JEREMY	BARON	1
(WRITE-IN)	THOMAS	TANCREDO	1
(WRITE-IN)	ROGER	WEEKS	1
(WRITE-IN)		NAZER	1
(WRITE-IN)	BARACK	OBAMA	6
(WRITE-IN)	JOSEPH	BIDEN	1
(WRITE-IN)	SHARON	SIMONS	1
(WRITE-IN)	WILLIAM	TROTTEEN	1
(WRITE-IN)	GREG	COFFIN	1

The absentee ballots were processed at 2 p.m. There were 153 Republican absentee ballots cast and 122 Democrat absentee ballots cast.

The tally was done by the Moderator, Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Board of Selectmen, Deputy Town Clerk-Tax Collector and Inspectors of Elections. The results were announced by the Moderator.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Morrissette
Town Clerk-Tax Collector

**TOWN OF GILFORD, NH
STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
September 9, 2008**

The State Primary Election was held on the above date at the Gilford Middle School gym. Prior to the opening of the polls, Moderator, Peter Millham, Assistant Moderator, Wayne Snow, Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Denise Morrisette and Deputy Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Jennifer Mooney tested the Accuvote machine, prepared a hand tally and reported the results to the Secretary of State.

Inspectors of Elections, Shirley Snow, Ruth "Betty" Helfrich, Diane Tinkham and Doris MacHaffie were present. The Inspectors along with Selectmen, Alice Boucher, Constance Grant and Gustavo Benavides counted the number of ballots received from the Office of Secretary of State. Millham, Snow, Morrisette and Mooney were also in attendance. Sheldon Morgan, Sandra Beland and Susan Jensen were given the oath of office as backup Inspectors of Elections. The ballots were counted and the Moderator signed a receipt for 1,000 Republican ballots and 700 Democratic ballots.

The zero tape was run on the Accuvote machine and the ballot box was inspected and revealed it to be empty. The Moderator instructed the voters to announce their name prior to entering the voting space and instructed the Inspectors to repeat the name back loud enough that the poll watchers may hear them. The polls were declared open at 7 a.m.

At the beginning of the election there were 6211 voters on the checklist at the start of the polls. There were 8 new voters registered during the day and 132 voters returned to undeclared status. There were 765 ballots cast (including absentee ballots) with the following results:

VOTES CAST ON REPUBLICAN BALLOT:

For Governor:

(Vote for not more than one)	Joseph D. Kenney	400
(WRITE-IN)	John Lynch	40
(WRITE-IN)	Raymond Burton	1

For United States

Senator:

(Vote for not more than one)	John E. Sununu	505
	Tom Alciere	34
(WRITE-IN)		

For Representative in Congress:

(Vote for not more than one)	"Dave" Jarvis	6
	Geoff Michael	4
	John Stephen	225
	Jeb Bradley	311
(WRITE-IN)		

For Executive Councilor:

(Vote for not more than one)	Raymond S. Burton	454
(WRITE-IN)	Alida I. Millham	1
(WRITE-IN)	David Horvath	1
(WRITE-IN)	Fictional Character	1

For State Senator:

(Vote for not more than one)	Gregory J. Knytych	422
(WRITE-IN)	Jeanne Shaheen	3
(WRITE-IN)	Michael Higgins	1
(WRITE-IN)	Kathy Sgambati	1
(WRITE-IN)	Doug Lambert	1
(WRITE-IN)	Fictional Character	1

For State Representatives:

(Vote for not more than seven)	Alida I. Millham	382
	Jame "Doc" Pilliod	366
	Jeffrey L. St.Cyr	299
	Elaine B. Swinford	243
	Peter S. Bolster	321
	Laurie J. Boyce	343
	Adam Bungert	214
	Kevin L. Christiansen	262
(WRITE-IN)	Fictional Characters	7
(WRITE-IN)	Cindy Warmington	1
(WRITE-IN)	Mike Warmington	1
(WRITE-IN)	William Seed	1
(WRITE-IN)	Don Roper	1
(WRITE-IN)	John McGonagle	1
(WRITE-IN)	Lee Duncan	1
(WRITE-IN)	David Russell	1
(WRITE-IN)	Sarah Allen	1
(WRITE-IN)	Peter Millham	1
(WRITE-IN)	Joseph Fadden	1

For Sheriff:

(Vote for not more than one)	Craig Wiggin	456
(WRITE-IN)	Doug Lambert	5
(WRITE-IN)	Chris Cost	2
(WRITE-IN)	Dan Collis	1
(WRITE-IN)	Evans Juris	1
(WRITE-IN)	Steve Hodges	1
(WRITE-IN)	Rich Grenier	1
(WRITE-IN)	John Goodhue	1
(WRITE-IN)	Fictional Character	1

For County Attorney:

(Vote for not more than one)	Jim Carroll	19
(WRITE-IN)	Peter Millham	4
(WRITE-IN)	Jim Sessler	1
(WRITE-IN)	Jim Sawyer	1
(WRITE-IN)	John Stephen	1
(WRITE-IN)	Lauren Noether	1
(WRITE-IN)	Doug Hill	1
(WRITE-IN)	Al Nix	1
(WRITE-IN)	Deanna Baker	1
(WRITE-IN)	Chuck Norris	1
(WRITE-IN)	Fictional Character	1

For County Treasurer:

(Vote for not more than one)	Micheal G. Muzzey	424
(WRITE-IN)	Fictional Character	1

For Register of Deeds:

(Vote for not more than one)	Barbara R. Luther	453
(WRITE-IN)	Fictional Character	1

For Register of Probate:

(Vote for not more than one)	Karen H. Brickner	430
(WRITE-IN)		

**For Delegates to the
State Convention:**

(Vote for not more than two)	Alida I. Millham	393
	David "Skip" Murphy	357

(WRITE-IN)	Doug Lambert	3
(WRITE-IN)	Andy Howe	1
(WRITE-IN)	Steve Wainwright	1
(WRITE-IN)	Sandra McGonagle	1
(WRITE-IN)	James Pilliod	1
(WRITE-IN)	Margo Weeks	1
(WRITE-IN)	Alison Boucher	1
(WRITE-IN)	John Morgenstern	1
(WRITE-IN)	Tim Doris	1

VOTES CAST ON DEMOCRATIC BALLOT:

For Governor:

(Vote for not more than one)	"Katy" Kathryn Forry	8
	John Lynch	199
(WRITE-IN)	Joseph D. Kenney	1

For United States

Senator:

(Vote for not more than one)	Jeanne Shaheen	188
	Raymond Stebbins	16
(WRITE-IN)	John E. Sununu	2
(WRITE-IN)	Gregory Knytych	1
(WRITE-IN)	Jeb Bradley	1

For Representative in Congress:

(Vote for not more than one)	Carol Shea-Porter	193
(WRITE-IN)	Jeb Bradley	3
(WRITE-IN)	John Stephen	2

For Executive Councilor:

(Vote for not more than one)	J. Michael Cauble	153
(WRITE-IN)	Raymond Burton	8

For State Senator:

(Vote for not more than one)	Kathleen Sgambati	190
(WRITE-IN)		

For State Representatives:

(Vote for not more than seven)	Ellen Marie McClung	132
	Heather Richardson	130
	"Kenny" Bourbeau	110
	George	112
	Condodemetraky	
	Duane Hammond	110
	William "Bill" Johnson	165
(WRITE-IN)	Alida Millham	14
(WRITE-IN)	Jim Pilliod	10
(WRITE-IN)	Peter Bolster	2
(WRITE-IN)	Sue Allen	1
(WRITE-IN)	Jeffrey St. Cyr	1
(WRITE-IN)	James Bianco	1
(WRITE-IN)	William Tobin	1
(WRITE-IN)	Mary Frost	1
(WRITE-IN)	Brad Kirby	1
(WRITE-IN)	Danielle Carroll	1

For Sheriff:

(Vote for not more than one)		
(WRITE-IN)	Craig Wiggin	19
(WRITE-IN)	John McGonagle	1
(WRITE-IN)	Vinny Baiochetti	1
(WRITE-IN)	Joe Hoffman	1

For County Attorney:

(Vote for not more than one)	James M. Carroll	190
(WRITE-IN)		

For County Treasurer:

(Vote for not more than one)		
(WRITE-IN)	Joe Hoffman	2
(WRITE-IN)	Deb Shackett	1
(WRITE-IN)	Buddy Daigneault	1
(WRITE-IN)	Don Frost	1
(WRITE-IN)	Frank Tilton	1

For Register of Deeds:

(Vote for not more than one)	Gail Morrison	174
(WRITE-IN)	Barbara Luther	8

For Register of Probate:

(Vote for not more than one)	Lynn R. Chong	169
(WRITE-IN)	Karen Brickner	4
(WRITE-IN)	Barbara Luther	1
(WRITE-IN)	Estelle Dearborn	1

The absentee ballots were processed at 1 p.m. There were 12 Republican absentee ballots cast and 10 Democrat absentee ballots cast.

The tally was done by the Moderator, Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Board of Selectmen, Deputy Town Clerk-Tax Collector and Inspectors of Elections. The results were announced by the Moderator.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Morrissette
Town Clerk-Tax Collector

**TOWN OF GILFORD, NH
STATE GENERAL ELECTION
November 4, 2008**

The State Primary Election was held on the above date at the Gilford Middle School gym. Prior to the opening of the polls, Moderator, Peter Millham, Assistant Moderator, Wayne Snow, Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Denise Morrisette and Deputy Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Jennifer Mooney tested the Accuvote machine, prepared a hand tally, counted the ballots and reported the results to the Secretary of State.

Inspectors of Elections, Barbara Carey, Shirley Snow, Ruth "Betty" Helfrich, Diane Tinkham, Doris MacHaffie and Donna Mooney were present. Sheldon Morgan, Sandra Beland and Susan Jensen were given the oath of office as backup Inspectors of Elections. The Moderator signed a receipt for 5408 Official ballots.

The zero tape was run on the Accuvote machine and the ballot box was inspected and revealed it to be empty. The Moderator instructed the voters to announce their name prior to entering the voting space and instructed the Inspectors to repeat the name back loud enough that the poll watchers may hear them. The polls were declared open at 7 a.m.

At the beginning of the election there were 2,321 Republicans, 1,485 Democrats, and 2,503 Undeclared voters on the checklist. There were 214 new voters registered during the day. There were 4,620 ballots cast (including absentee ballots) with the following results:

ELECTION RESULTS:

Offices	Other Candidates		Republican Candidates		Democratic Candidates	
For President and Vice- President of the United States: Vote for not more than 1	Independent Ralph Nader "Matt" Gonzalez Libertarian George Phillies Christopher Bennett Libertarian "Bob" Barr Wayne A. Root	18 2 7	John McCain Sarah Palin	2292	Barac Obama "Joe" Biden	2246
For Governor vote for not more than 1	Libertarian Susan M. Newell	58	Joseph D. Kenney	1408	John Lynch	2977

For United States Senator vote for not more than 1	Libertarian "Ken" Blevens	71	John E. Sununu	2371	Jeanne Shaheen	2054
For Representative in Congress vote for not more than 1	Libertarian Robert Kingsbury	62	Jeb Bradley	2299	Carol Shea-Porter	2073
For Executive Councilor vote for not more than 1			Raymond s. Burton	2749	J. Michael Cauble	1285
For State Senator vote for not more than 1			Gregory J. Knytych	1919	Kathleen Sgambati	2261
For State Representatives vote for not more than 7			Alida I Millham	2535	Ellen Marie McClung	1337
			James "Doc" Pilliod	2522	Heather Richardson	1531
			Jeffrey L. St. Cyr	1965	"Kenny" Bourbeau	1185
			Elaine B. Swinford	1768	George Condodemetrak	1200
			Peter S. Bolster	1773	Duane Hammond	1052
			Laurie J. Boyce	1975	William "Bill" Johnson	1927
			Kevin L. Christiansen	1748		
For Sheriff vote for not more than 1	Number of combined votes	3850	Craig Wiggin		Craig Wiggin	
For County Attorney vote for not more than 1	Number of combined votes	3916	James M. Carroll		James M. Carroll	
For County Treasurer vote for not more than 1			Michael G. Muzzey	2937		
For Register of Deeds vote for not more than 1			Barbara R. Luther	2241	Gail Morrison	1669
For Register of Probate vote for not more than 1			Karen H. Brickner	2474	Lynn R. Chong	1345
The following names were write-ins on the Ballot:						
President & Vice President:	Hillary Clinton	9				

	Ron Paul	6
	PZ Myers	1
	Chuck Baldwin	1
	Bill Clinton	1
	Bill Cosby	1
	John Rochlis	1
	John Edwards	1
Governor	W. Keith Parish	1
	Hillary Clinton	1
	Mitt Romney	1
US Senator	Robert Digangi	1
Representative in Congress	Kevin Hayes	1
	Peter Bearse	1
Executive Councilor	Doug Lambert	1
	John Bridges	1
	Tom Joyce	1
State Senator	Tom Joyce	1
State Representative	Elliot Finn	2
	Tom Brown	1
	Kerry Parker	1
	Carrie Spooner	1
	George Hurt	1
	Glenn Dewhirst	1
	Mike Warmington	1
	Tom Joyce	1
	Joe Rizzitano	1
	Verna Hipkiss	1
	Andrew Upton	1
	Tom Rice	1
	Charles Helstrom	1
Sheriff	Evans Juris	4
	Doug Lambert	2
	Rolyand Lyons	1
	Mike Lungarelli	1
	Don Doherty Sr.	1
	Timothy Conway	1
	Tom Joyce	1
	Jim McShane	1
	William Roberge	1
County Attorney	Rolyand Lyons	1
	Tom Joyce	1
	Ken Anderson	1
County Treasurer	Maureen Mello	2
	Pat Clark	1
	Hunter Roberts	1

	Evans Juris	1
	Burt Watson	1
	Tom Joyce	1
	Frank Mello	1
	Richard Weaver	1
	Andrew Upton	1
	Matt Boucher	1
	Charles Helstrom	1
Register of Deeds	Tom Joyce	1
Register of Probate	Tom Joyce	1

The absentee ballots were processed at 1 p.m. There were 654 absentee ballots cast.

The tally was done by the Moderator, Town Clerk-Tax Collector, Board of Selectmen, Deputy Town Clerk-Tax Collector and Inspectors of Elections. The results were announced by the Moderator.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Morrisette
Town Clerk-Tax Collector

Gunstock Acres Village Water District

On May 30, 1981 the citizens of Gunstock Acres voted to create the Gunstock Acres Village District, Pursuant to RSA Chapter 52. It was subsequently renamed to reflect its purpose. The Gunstock Acres community has continued to grow over the ensuing years and the Water District has successfully managed to more than keep up with that growth. We are now delivering more than 80,000 gallons of water per day, serving over 750 accounts. Today, the Water District is prepared to absorb the needs of all possible growth in our district.

The Water District is self funding accruing no cost to the Town of Gilford. Before we get into the district's activities it is well to consider the costs of operation and how they are funded. Over the last eight years our yearly budget has consistently ranged in the \$200,000 area. Contributions from property owners have risen significantly due to continued housing growth in Gunstock Acres. Our other source of operational funding is the precinct tax. That tax has decreased from 1.01 per thousand dollars of valuation to the current rate of just .27. That decrease yields a real saving for the property holder of about 73%.

Several years ago when we were faced with a drought it became apparent to the Commissioners that we needed new water sources and updated equipment to take better advantage of the water supplies that we had. After looking at several alternatives the commissioners decided to look for new sources of water rather than constructing storage facilities. Since that decision we have drilled successfully three times. All new wells are on line and have state approval for operation. These three wells when added to the existing seven will insure that we have the water to meet all possible needs.

We have updated all our processing equipment in order to insure the safety of our product. In order that we might have tighter controls over water conservation we are also in the process of computerizing the entire operation. This will enable us to quickly locate those leakage problems that have caused us difficulties in the past. We are looking at emergency generators that would enable us to continue supplying water during major power outages. To date all of this has been accomplished without the need for additional monies. Our customers have enjoyed the same rate for the last 8 years and no increases are contemplated. The District continues to be run with an eye toward the future.

Our Operator is Wade Crawshaw and the commissioners are Bob Dalton, John O'Brien and Howard Epstein. The Treasurer is Bob Dion and our clerk is Susan Dalton.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Of the Town of Gilford, NH in Belknap County
for the Fiscal Year Ended in December 31, 2008

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Connie Grant, Chairman
Gus Benavides
J. Kevin Hayes
Board of Selectmen
Karen Saunders
Town Treasurer

TOWN OF GILFORD
2008 REVENUE SUMMARY
(preliminary unaudited)

Account Code	Description	<u>Anticipated</u> __	<u>Actual</u> __	Over/(Under) <u>Collected</u>
<u>TAX REVENUES</u>				
3185	Timber Taxes	10,000	3,552	(6,448)
3187	Excavation Taxes	1,000	452	(548)
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	13,000	14,498	1,498
3190	Interest & Costs on Taxes	120,300	157,201	36,901
		\$ 144,300	\$ 175,703	\$ 31,403
<u>LICENSES, PERMITS, AND FEES</u>				
3210	Business Licenses & Fees	67,710	73,678	5,968
3220	MV Registrations	1,600,500	1,528,276	(72,224)
3230	Building Permits	61,000	49,228	(11,772)
3290	Other Licenses & Fees	10,750	8,963	(1,788)
		\$ 1,739,960	\$ 1,660,145	\$ (79,815)
<u>STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUES</u>				
3351	Shared Revenues	43,185	43,185	0
3352	State Room & Meals Tax	280,000	328,090	48,090
3353	Highway Block Grant	193,284	192,620	(664)
3354	State Water Pollution Grant	39,221	39,221	0
3356	State Forest Land Reimbursement	1,500	1,399	(101)
3359	Other Grants	0	11,218	11,218
		\$ 557,190	\$ 615,733	\$ 58,543
<u>INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS</u>				
3401	Administrative Revenue	6,100	5,596	(504)
3401	Town Clerk Revenue	7,400	7,454	54
3401	Police Revenue	94,500	80,454	(14,046)
3401	Fire/Ambulance Revenue	152,175	191,166	38,991
3401	Parks & Recreation Revenue	4,320	6,116	1,796
3401	Planning & Land Use Revenue	13,550	12,310	(1,240)
3401	Public Works Revenue	400	3,710	3,310
3401	Solid Waste Revenue	87,000	107,132	20,132
		\$ 365,445	\$ 413,938	\$ 48,493

TOWN OF GILFORD
2008 REVENUE SUMMARY
(preliminary unaudited)

Account Code	Description	<u>Anticipated</u> __	<u>Actual</u> __	Over/(Under) <u>Collected</u>
<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>				
3500	Special Assessments	9,458	9,259	(199)
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	12,000	11,401	(599)
3502	Interest on Deposits	140,000	141,732	1,732
3503	Facility Rental	6,400	7,206	806
3504	Fines & forfeitures	15,000	10,244	(4,756)
3503-3509	Other Reimbursements	<u>2,000</u>	<u>10,605</u>	<u>8,605</u>
		\$ 184,858	\$ 190,447	\$ 5,589
<u>TRANSFERS FROM OTHER FUNDS</u>				
3913	Transfers from Capital Project Funds	0	0	0
3915	Transfer from Capital Reserves	<u>110,000</u>	<u>110,000</u>	<u>0</u>
		\$ 110,000	\$ 110,000	\$ -
		<u>\$ 3,101,753</u>	<u>\$ 3,165,966</u>	

TOWN OF GILFORD
2008 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
(preliminary unaudited)

Account Code	Description	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expended/ Encumbered</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>				
4130-4139	Executive	392,674	421,350	(28,676)
4140-4149	Election, Registration & Vital Stats	281,002	275,536	5,466
4150-4159	Financial Administration	153,000	136,497	16,503
4152	Revaluation of Property	226,115	168,738	57,377
4153	Legal Expenses	80,000	140,566	(60,566)
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	1,904,625	1,801,511	103,114
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	210,083	207,164	2,919
4194	General Government Buildings	262,041	264,736	(2,695)
4195	Cemeteries	30,100	25,000	5,100
4196	Town Insurances	86,000	88,865	(2,865)
4197	Regional Associations	8,104	8,104	0
		\$ 3,633,744	\$ 3,538,066	\$ 95,678
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>				
4210-4214	Police Department	1,414,492	1,383,512	30,980
4220-4229	Fire/Ambulance Department	1,073,020	1,090,187	(17,167)
4290-4298	Emergency Management	5,650	5,662	(12)
		\$ 2,493,162	\$ 2,479,362	\$ 13,800
<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>				
4311	Public Works Administration	182,327	164,107	18,220
4312	Hihways & Streets	1,493,171	1,231,992	261,179
4313	Bridges	60,300	8,871	51,429
4316	Street Lighting	20,000	22,645	(2,645)
4319	Vehicle Maintenance	252,690	285,801	(33,111)
4324	Solid Waste	532,560	481,436	51,124
		\$ 2,541,048	\$ 2,194,852	\$ 346,196
<u>HEALTH & WELFARE</u>				
4411-4414	Health Administration	9,800	8,788	1,012
4415-4419	Health Services	26,900	26,900	0
4441-4442	Welfare	64,000	70,585	(6,585)
		\$ 100,700	\$ 106,273	\$ (5,573)

TOWN OF GILFORD
2008 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
(preliminary unaudited)

Account Code	Description	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expended/ Encumbered</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
<u>CULTURE, RECREATION, & CONSERVATION</u>				
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	200,685	189,038	11,647
4550-4559	Library	281,522	281,501	21
4583	Patriotic Purposes	125	106	19
4611-4612	Conservation Commission	16,300	15,599	701
		\$ 498,632	\$ 486,243	\$ 12,389
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>				
4711	Principal - Long Term Bonds	392,346	411,594	(19,248)
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds	122,550	101,951	20,599
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000	0	5,000
		\$ 519,896	\$ 513,544	\$ 6,352
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>				
4902	Vehicles & Equipment	517,842	506,642	11,200
4909	Other Capital	20,000	24,000	(4,000)
4915	Capital Reserves	367,000	367,000	0
		\$ 904,842	\$ 897,642	\$ 7,200
<u>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</u>				
4939	Other Districts	54,367	54,367	(0)
		\$ 54,367	\$ 54,367	\$ (0)
		\$ 10,746,391	\$ 10,270,350	\$ 476,041

TOWN OF GILFORD
2008 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
(as of April 1st, 2008)

	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>LAND</u>			
Current Use	9,499	\$ 975,520	
Conservation Restriction	409	\$ 23,820	
Residential	19,928	\$ 664,522,100	
Commercial / Industrial	993	\$ 49,506,770	
			\$ 715,028,210
<u>BUILDINGS</u>			
Residential		\$ 751,144,500	
Manufactured Housing		\$ 19,848,900	
Commercial / Industrial		\$ 90,114,500	
			\$ 861,107,900
<u>PUBLIC UTILITIES</u>			
Electric		5,603,000	
Gas		436,000	
Water & Sewer		143,960	
			\$ 6,182,960
Gross Valuation			\$ 1,582,319,070
<u>EXEMPTIONS</u>			
Disabled Veteran		\$ 233,640	
Blind		\$ 60,000	
Elderly		\$ 4,771,100	
			\$ (5,064,740)
Net Taxable Valuation			\$ 1,577,254,330

TOWN OF GILFORD

2008 TAX RATE CALCULATION

Total Taxable Assessment	\$ 1,577,254,330
State Ed. Taxable Assessment	\$ 1,571,071,370

TOWN PORTION

Total Appropriations	\$ 11,563,184	
less: Town Revenues	(4,097,879)	
Fund Balance	(450,000)	
State Shared Revenue	(38,631)	
add: Overlay	105,689	
War Service Credits	303,750	
Net Appropriation (raised by tax)	\$ 7,386,113	Town Rate \$4.67

SCHOOL PORTION

Total Appropriations	\$ 22,688,571	
less: Town Revenues	(6,227,768)	
Adequate Education Grant	(542,711)	
State Education Taxes	(3,715,981)	
Net Appropriation (raised by tax)	\$ 13,289,799	Local School Rate \$8.43

STATE EDUCATION TAX PORTION

Local State Ed. Valuation	1,571,071,370	
Equalized Valuation	1,736,439,692	
x State Ed. Tax Rate	2.14	
State Ed. Taxes to be raise	\$ 3,715,981	State Ed. Rate \$2.37

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	2,242,847	
less: State Shared Revenue	(9,568)	
Net Appropriation (raised by tax)	\$ 2,233,279	County Rate \$1.42

**Total
Tax Rate
\$16.89**

Total Property Taxes Assessed	\$ 26,625,172
less: War Service Credits	(303,750)
Total Property Taxes Committed	\$ 26,321,422

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of:

Gilford
DEBITS

Period:

01/01/08 - 12/31/08

UNCOLLECTED TAXES-		Levy 2008	PRIOR LEVIES		
BEG. OF YEAR:			2007	2006	2005-Prior
Property Taxes	#3110	XXXXXX	\$ 1,372,914.71		
Capital Cost		XXXXXX	10,217.00		
Land Use Change	#3185	XXXXXX	20,368.00		
Yield Taxes		XXXXXX	14.92		
Excavation Tax/Gravel Tax	#3187	XXXXXX	-		
Sewer Tax	#3189	XXXXXX	85,773.44		
Gunstock Acres Water		XXXXXX	18,057.98		
Cherry Valley Betterment		XXXXXX	519.00		
Lockes Hill Betterment		XXXXXX	494.00		
Interest		XXXXXX	14.19		
Other charges - VBET		XXXXXX	700.00		
Property Tax Credit Balance		(167.00)			
Utility Tax Credit Balance		(143.15)			
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR:					
Property Taxes & Jeopardy	#3110	\$ 26,432,327.00			
Capital Cost		105,211.00			
Land Use Change	#3120	55,362.00	19,000.00		
Yield Taxes	#3185	3,551.81			
Excavation Tax/Gravel Tax	#3187	262.14			
Sewer Tax	#3189	785,351.42			
Gunstock Acres Water		166,790.00			
Cherry Valley Betterment		6,048.00			
Lockes Hill Betterment		3,458.00			
Other charges - Bad Check		275.00	25.00		
Other charges - VBET		11,305.77			
OVERPAYMENT:					
Property Taxes	#3110	30,639.76	16,234.02	2,020.00	1,473.00
Sewer Tax		5,899.64	1,281.22		
Gunstock Acres Water		271.45			
Lockes Hill Betterment		247.00			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190		106.89		
Penalties - Other Taxes			4,338.00		
Interest		17,061.18	79,334.01		
Cost before lien			7,457.00		
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 27,623,751.02	\$ 1,636,849.38	2,020.00	1,473.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of:

Gilford

Period:

01/01/08 - 12/31/08

Credits

REMITTED TO TREASURER:		Levy 2008	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2007	2006	2005-Prior
Property Taxes & Jeopardy		\$ 24,876,005.85	\$ 1,379,763.85		
Gunstock Acres Water		146,937.42	18,027.98		
Sewer Tax		564,469.15	63,003.46		
Land Use Change (Current Use)		41,750.00	39,368.00		
Yield Taxes		3,551.81	14.92		
Excavation Tax/Gravel Tax		262.14			
Capital Cost Recovery		91,962.54	10,217.00		
Cherry Valley Betterment		5,376.00	519.00		
Lockes Hill Betterment		247.00	494.00		
Other Charges - Bad Check		175.00	25.00		
Interest		17,061.18	79,191.82		
Penalties			4,338.00		
Cost of Lien			7,457.00		
Other Charges - VBET		10,080.77	700.00		

ABATEMENTS:

Property Taxes		23,652.00	9,384.88	2,020.00	1,473.00
Gunstock Acres Water			30.00		
Sewer Tax		182,642.21	24,051.20		
Capital Cost Recovery		194.00			
Lockes Hill Betterment		3,448.00	263.27		
Interest/Cost/Penalties Collected					

UNCOLLECTED TAXES -**END OF YEAR #1080:**

Property Taxes		1,563,308.91			
Gunstock Acres Water		20,124.03			
Sewer Tax		44,139.70			
Land Use Change		13,612.00			
Capital Cost Recovery		13,054.46			
Cherry Valley Betterment		672.00			
Lockes Hill Betterment		10.00			
Other Charges - VBET		1,225.00			
Property Tax Credit Balance		(167.00)			
Utility Tax Credit Balance		(143.15)			
Other Charges - Bad Check		100.00			
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 27,623,751.02	\$ 1,636,849.38	\$ 2,020.00	\$ 1,473.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of:

Gilford

Period:

01/01/08 - 12/31/08

DEBITS

		Last Year's Levy 2007	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2006	2005	2004-Prior
Unredeemed Tax Liens			\$ 188,871.44	\$ 62,133.54	\$ 12,656.23
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year		472,531.90			
Interest & Costs Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)		9,572.18	20,853.63	19,233.36	5,058.38
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 482,104.08	\$ 209,725.07	\$ 81,366.90	\$ 17,714.61

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:		Last Year's Levy 2007	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2006	2005	2004-Prior
Redemptions		\$ 198,067.30	\$ 101,027.63	\$ 54,319.84	\$ 8,579.43
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	9,572.18	20,853.63	19,233.36	5,058.38
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$ 442.37	\$ 1,406.63	\$ 185.20	\$ 457.31
Liens Deeded to Municipality					
Unredeemed Liens Balance 12/31/2007	#1110	\$ 274,022.23	\$ 86,437.18	\$ 7,628.50	\$ 3,619.49
Abatement Refunds					
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 482,104.08	\$ 209,725.07	\$ 81,366.90	\$ 17,714.61

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ?

YESRespectfully submitted,
TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE:Denise A. Morrisette
Town Clerk - Tax Collector

Date: 1/26/2008

**TOWN OF GILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF TOWN CLERK
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008**

General Revenues Received:

10,517	Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	\$1,438,922.50
1563	Dog Licenses Issued	\$10,585.50
698	Boat Permit Fees & Reports	\$80,984.46
355	E-Reg Payable	\$680.45
652	Copies of Record	\$1,114.34
7	Bad Check Penalties Collected	\$200.00
	Town Pins	\$0.00
104	Pistol Permits	\$1,040.00
337	Fines	\$9,898.33
885	Beach Admissions	\$1,770.00
3	Glendale Commerical Pass	\$3,000.00
140	Glendale Guest Passes	\$3,500.00
4	Voter Checklists	\$150.00
12	Postage Reimbursement	\$32.42
161	Miscellaneous Fees	\$456.00
	Over/Under Adjustment Acct.	\$39.86
	Total General Revenues:	\$1,552,373.86

Town Clerk Fees Remitted to the Town:

1695	Titles Processed	\$3,390.00
6	UCC Statements	\$2,535.00
30	Marriage Licenses	\$1,350.00
149	Birth, Death & Marriage Certificates Issued	\$1,600.00
11,067	Municipal Agent Fees	\$27,443.50
333	Mail-In Registration Fees	\$502.50
34	Wetlands Applications	\$545.00
13	Filing Fees	\$15.00
	Total Town Clerk Fees Remitted:	\$37,381.00

TOTAL REMITTED TO TREASURER:	\$1,589,754.86
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Respectfully Submitted,

Denise A. Morrissette, NHCTC
Town Clerk - Tax Collector

TOWN OF GILFORD
Treasurer's Report
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2008
(preliminary unaudited)

GENERAL FUND

Cash on Hand 1/1/2008	\$ 9,438,297.41
add: Total Receipts	40,658,346.07
less: Selectmen's Orders Paid	<u>(41,805,909.75)</u>
Cash on Hand 12/31/2008	<u><u>\$ 8,290,733.73</u></u>

RECREATION FUND

Cash on Hand 1/1/2008	\$ 43,160.31
add: Total Receipts	31,260.79
less: Selectmen's Orders Paid	<u>(49,340.72)</u>
Cash on Hand 12/31/2008	<u><u>\$ 25,080.38</u></u>

CONSERVATION FUND

Cash on Hand 1/1/2008	\$ 356,845.25
add: Total Receipts	86,940.95
less: Selectmen's Orders Paid	<u>(133,639.99)</u>
Cash on Hand 12/31/2008	<u><u>\$ 310,146.21</u></u>

SEWER CAPITAL COST FUND

Cash on Hand 1/1/2008	\$ 113,582.30
add: Total Receipts	107,924.91
less: Selectmen's Orders Paid	<u>(116,714.32)</u>
Cash on Hand 12/31/2008	<u><u>\$ 104,792.89</u></u>

ROWE HOUSE FUND

Cash on Hand 1/1/2008	\$ 1,132.89
add: Total Receipts	53.43
less: Selectmen's Orders Paid	<u>-</u>
Cash on Hand 12/31/2008	<u><u>\$ 1,186.32</u></u>

**Town of Gilford
Report of The Trustees of Trust Funds
December 31, 2008**

Created	Name of Trust Fund	Invested	Principal	Cash Gains Or (Losses)	New Trusts	Withdrawals	Principal Balance	Income Balance 2008	Income 2008	Fees Paid During Year	Expended 2008	Income Balance 2008	Total Balance 2008
Common Trust Fund Total		Laconia Savings	\$170,859.63	-\$5,031.23	\$1,950.00	\$0.00	\$167,778.40	13,758.30	\$6,090.90	\$1,771.55	\$0.00	\$18,077.65	\$185,856.06
1968 A.B. Lincoln - Care of Lincoln Park	Laconia Savings	\$1,330.97	-\$39.19				\$1,291.78	1,986.25	\$47.45	\$13.80		2,019.90	\$3,311.67
1968 Julia Ladd - Worthy Poor	Laconia Savings	\$2,359.20	-\$69.47				\$2,289.73	2,297.24	\$84.10	\$24.46		2,356.88	\$4,646.61
1969 Theodate & Elliot Remick - Library	Laconia Savings	\$5,520.86	-\$162.57				\$5,358.29	1,031.23	\$196.81	\$57.24		1,170.80	\$6,529.08
1986 Samuel & Winnifred Smith - Library	Laconia Savings	\$11,863.06	-\$349.33	\$1,100.00			\$12,613.74	1,242.74	\$422.90	\$123.00		1,542.64	\$14,156.38
1991 Kimball Castle - Wildlife	Laconia Savings	\$176,337.25	-\$5,192.52	\$2,500.00			\$173,644.73	31,194.37	\$6,286.17	\$1,828.35		35,652.19	\$209,296.93
1996 Daniel P. Rogers - Conservation	Laconia Savings	\$17,514.21	-\$515.73				\$16,998.48	3,612.21	\$624.36	\$181.60		4,054.97	\$21,053.45
Total Miscellaneous Trust Funds			\$214,925.55	-\$6,328.81	\$3,600.00	\$0.00	\$212,196.74	41,364.04	\$7,661.79	\$2,228.45	\$0.00	\$46,797.38	\$258,994.12
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS			\$385,785.18	-\$11,360.04	\$5,550.00	\$0.00	\$379,975.14	55,122.34	\$13,752.69	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$64,875.03	\$444,850.08
1989 Fire Equipment		0.00					0.00	12,418.52	\$685.44			13,103.96	13,103.96
1990 Highway Equipment	Laconia Savings	48,866.47		\$50,000.00			98,866.47	54,778.68	\$2,631.21			57,409.89	156,276.36
2000 Gilford Library	Laconia Savings	3,688.05					3,688.05	6,690.68	\$263.52			6,954.20	10,642.25
2000 Business Park	Laconia Savings	0.00					0.00	7,257.20	\$184.25			7,441.45	7,441.45
2001 Special Education	Laconia Savings	150,000.00					150,000.00	27,067.88	\$4,495.07			31,562.95	181,562.95
2006 Gunstock Pump Station & Componer	Laconia Savings	49,823.00		\$10,000.00			59,823.00	1,941.16	\$1,314.16			3,255.32	63,078.32
2006 Gunstock Tank/Major Equipment	Laconia Savings	94,596.79		\$80,000.00		\$78,006.00	96,590.79	4,014.94	\$2,335.05			6,349.99	102,940.78
2006 Ambulance Replacement Fund	Laconia Savings	110,000.00		\$50,000.00			160,000.00	5,540.99	\$2,933.18			8,474.17	168,474.17
2006 Bridge Replacement Fund	Laconia Savings	244,487.58		\$50,000.00			294,487.58	25,558.99	\$7,776.69			33,335.68	327,823.26
2007 Building Repair Fund	Laconia Savings	5,000.00		\$5,000.00			10,000.00	59.96	\$128.53			188.49	10,188.49
2007 Compensation Absences Fund	Laconia Savings	10,000.00		\$5,000.00			15,000.00	119.95	\$256.98			376.93	15,376.93
2007 Police Station Fund	Laconia Savings	8,932.50		\$150,000.00			158,932.50	599.74	\$1,265.90			1,865.64	160,798.14
2007 Sewer Maintenance Fund	Laconia Savings	20,000.00		\$20,000.00			40,000.00	0.00	\$436.74			436.74	40,436.74
2008 School Building Boiler Maintenance	Laconia Savings	0.00		\$50,000.00			50,000.00	0.00	\$760.75			760.75	50,760.75
2008 School Building Roof Maintenance	Laconia Savings	0.00		\$50,000.00			50,000.00	0.00	\$760.75			760.75	50,760.75
2008 Glendale Boat and Ramp Fund	Laconia Savings	0.00		\$25,000.00			25,000.00	0.00	\$0.00			0.00	25,000.00
2008 Water Supply Maintenance Fund	Laconia Savings	0.00		\$10,000.00			10,000.00	0.00	\$0.00			0.00	10,000.00
2008 Recreation Facilities Fund	Laconia Savings	0.00		\$22,000.00			22,000.00	0.00	\$0.00			0.00	22,000.00
Total Capital Reserve Funds			\$745,394.39		\$577,000.00	\$78,006.00	\$1,244,388.39	\$146,048.69	\$26,228.22	\$0.00		\$172,276.91	\$1,416,665.30

TOWN OF GILFORD

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

Annual Maturities of Outstanding Bonds and Long Term Notes
2008 - 2022

	<u>Cherry Valley Sewer Ext.</u> 1999-2017 Original Bond: \$128,978		<u>Village Sewer Extension</u> 2003-2013 Original Bond: \$2,295,650		<u>Lakes Business Park</u> 2004-2013 Original Bond: \$1,464,682		<u>Bean Property</u> 2007-2022 Original Bond: \$980,000		<u>Total Debt</u> Total Bonds: \$4,869,310	
Year	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2008	\$6,788	\$2,862	\$229,547	\$32,093	\$146,468	\$33,839	\$40,793	\$45,039	\$423,597	\$113,833
2009	\$6,788	\$2,576	\$229,547	\$26,744	\$146,468	\$28,122	\$47,020	\$46,615	\$429,824	\$104,057
2010	\$6,788	\$2,290	\$229,547	\$21,395	\$146,468	\$22,498	\$49,475	\$44,160	\$432,279	\$90,343
2011	\$6,788	\$2,003	\$229,547	\$16,047	\$146,468	\$16,873	\$52,058	\$41,577	\$434,862	\$76,500
2012	\$6,788	\$1,717	\$229,547	\$10,698	\$146,468	\$11,280	\$54,663	\$38,972	\$437,466	\$62,667
2013	\$6,788	\$1,431	\$229,708	\$5,349	\$146,468	\$5,624	\$57,630	\$36,005	\$440,594	\$48,410
2014	\$6,788	\$1,145					\$60,638	\$32,997	\$67,427	\$34,142
2015	\$6,788	\$859					\$63,804	\$29,831	\$70,593	\$30,690
2016	\$6,788	\$572					\$67,057	\$26,578	\$73,845	\$27,151
2017	\$6,788	\$286					\$70,636	\$22,999	\$77,425	\$23,285
2018							\$74,324	\$19,311	\$74,324	\$19,311
2019							\$78,204	\$15,431	\$78,204	\$15,431
2020							\$82,251	\$11,384	\$82,251	\$11,384
2021							\$86,581	\$7,054	\$86,581	\$7,054
2022							\$91,107	\$2,534	\$91,107	\$2,534
Total	\$67,883	\$15,741	\$1,377,443	\$112,326	\$878,809	\$118,235	\$976,243	\$420,487	\$3,300,379	\$666,789

Town of Gilford
Town Owned Property
(as of April 1, 2008)

<u>Map/Lot</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>
201-034.000	Lake Shore Rd		210
201-035.000	Lake Shore Rd		480
203-152.000	Elderberry Dr		600
203-269.000	36 Stone Rd	Stonewall Park	60,200
204-001.000	Gilford Ave		130
204-003.000	Gilford Ave		319,500
204-003.001	277 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	115,900
204-003.002	Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	116,300
204-003.003	295 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	107,700
204-003.004	315 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	107,400
204-003.005	333 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	120,300
204-003.006	345 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	121,600
204-003.007	351 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	121,500
204-003.008	359 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	112,700
204-003.009	369 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	111,200
204-003.010	391 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	280,100
204-003.012	344 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	111,100
204-003.013	332 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	105,600
204-003.014	312 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	112,600
204-003.017	288 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	106,000
204-003.018	282 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	117,100
204-003.019	270 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	109,100
204-016.000	Laconia Line		200
204-017.000	Laconia Line		160
205-001.100	Off Rt. 11		70
205-001.200	Off Rt. 11		80
205-002.200	Off Rt. 11		200
205-003.000	Off Rt. 11		170
209-009.000	Cotton Hill Rd		7,140
210-007.010	Liberty Hill Rd		800
210-031.000	172 Liberty Hill Rd.		54,720
210-033.000	Saltmarsh Pond Rd	Green Area	60,290
212-008.000	6 David Lewis Rd		67,800
213-009.000	Liscomb Circle		1,100
213-013.325	Liscomb Circle		25,900
213-013.340	Liscomb Circle		41,100
213-044.000	Old Lakeshore Rd		74,900
215-025.000	150 Kimball Rd	Municipal Facility	336,600

Town of Gilford
Town Owned Property
(as of April 1, 2008)

<u>Map/Lot</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>
216-105.000	Weirs Rd		46,800
223-413.002	31 Harris Shore Rd	Conservation Comm	109,700
223-413.003	39 Harris Shore Rd	Conservation Comm	55,900
223-417.000	40 Varney Point Rd	Town Beach	4,031,100
223-500.000	Varney Point Rd		4,000
223-503.000	4 Casey Rd		21,700
223-532.000	Davis Rd		280
224-018.000	263 Intervale Rd	School District	432,200
224-033.000	186 Intervale Rd.		6,100
225-028.000	Cherry Valley Rd		27,300
226-030.100	Schoolhouse Hill Rd		210
226-048.000	174 Potter Hill Rd		184,870
226-048.100	109 Cherry Valley Rd		113,640
226-054.000	47 Cherry Valley Rd	Town Offices	2,057,900
226-055.000	2 Belknap Mt Rd	former Library	308,400
226-078.000	31 Potter Hill Rd.	Library	1,952,600
226-078.001	43 Potter Hill Rd		80,460
227-008.100	Knollwood Dr		3,390
227-008.300	Knollwood Dr		2,460
227-013.000	Alvah Wilson Rd		177,000
227-058.000	Timber Lane		64,460
227-066.000	Timber Lane		48,740
227-080.000	16 Sprucewood Dr		81,700
227-094.000	Timber Lane		470
227-101.000	Robindale Circle		1,960
227-103.000	Timber Lane		7,650
227-113.000	Goodwin Rd		2,100
227-116.000	15 Goodwin Rd		67,900
227-124.000	Alvah Wilson Rd	School District	88,900
227-125.000	Alvah Wilson Rd	School District	153,600
227-126.000	27 Belknap Mt Rd		302,400
227-127-000	88 Alvah Wilson Rd	High School	10,985,900
227-132.000	76 Belknap Mt Rd	Elementary School	5,073,200
227-132.001	Belknap Mtn. Rd		1,704,100
228-005.000	Hoyt Rd		3,900
228-010.000	Saltmarsh Pond Rd		31,600
228-016.110	Hoyt Rd		65,700
228-031.000	Doris Dr		800

Town of Gilford
Town Owned Property
(as of April 1, 2008)

<u>Map/Lot</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>
228-079.000	Hoyt Rd		5,000
229-031.000	Sherwood Forest Dr	Common Green Area	5,700
229-037.000	Irish Setter Lane		9,270
230.015.000	Gilford Glen Rd		5,830
232-002.000	Durrell Mt Rd	Municipal Facility	159,100
234-001.000	Durrell Mt Rd	Municipal Facility	268,000
236-020.000	560 Belknap Mt Rd	Conservation Comm	98,220
237-002.000	Belknap Point Rd	Conservation Comm	315,600
240-007.000	Orchard Dr		4,220
240-050.000	26 Foxglove Rd		44,840
242-183.000	33 Dock Rd	Glendale Docks	608,000
242-197.000	Glendale Place	Parking lot	318,400
242-212.000	Belknap Point Rd	Lincoln Park	583,000
242-369.000	Lake Shore Rd		2,400
242-371.100	11 Lockes Hill Rd		1,328,220
252-050.000	Lake Shore Rd		118,600
252-162.000	86 Sagamore Rd		21,980
252-191.000	139 Tate Rd		48,350
253-049.000	30 Greenleaf Trail		14,000
253-328.000	62 River Rd		41,700
258-002.000	Round Pond		614,500
263-040.000	Off Grant Rd		1,730
263-057.000	Valley Dr		14,250
263-062.000	Valley Dr		15,750
263-066.000	Valley Dr		4,050
266-106.000	Lake Shore Rd		1500
266-121.000	Riley Rd		960
267-257.000	2679 Lake Shore Rd		1,790
267-260.000	Lake Shore Rd		400
271-009.000	Off Glidden Rd		900
272-005.000	Clough Rd		70,300

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RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008

-- GILFORD --

Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
PREFONTAINE, DOUGLAS P	GILFORD, NH	LINKILA, SARAH L	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	GILFORD	03/07/2008
WIXSON, JONATHAN C	GILFORD, NH	NEUFELD, MARY M	LACONIA, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	05/03/2008
NICHOLS, DANIEL G	GILFORD, NH	SAFFORD, JENNIFER L	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	05/17/2008
RICHARDSON, BRYAN L	MANCHESTER, NH	BRODTMAN, ANGELA L	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	MEREDITH	05/24/2008
PARKER, ARNOLD A	GILFORD, NH	PITTMAN, JANE	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	MEREDITH	05/31/2008
HODGDON, SCOTT A	GILFORD, NH	HUDGENS, RUTH L	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	06/07/2008
POIRE, JOSHUA M	GILFORD, NH	MOULTON, MARIA L	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	GILFORD	06/14/2008
CARRIER, STEPHEN M	GILFORD, NH	SHALLOW, VICKIE A	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	SUGAR HILL	06/15/2008
BEYRENT, GEOFFREY K	GILFORD, NH	JOHN, LYVIA P	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	06/21/2008
THOMAS, BRYAN N	GILFORD, NH	RALPH, ANGELA	WORCESTER, MA	GILFORD	LACONIA	06/21/2008
SOUICY, NATHAN A	GILFORD, NH	DUMONT, NICHOLE M	GROTON, MA	GILFORD	HOLLIS	06/22/2008
LYMAN, PATRICK F	GILFORD, NH	DOHERTY, JENNIFER K	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	06/28/2008
SOFRONAS, JOHN P	GILFORD, NH	MORRISON, ELENA S	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	MEREDITH	07/12/2008
HARWOOD, DAVID W	GILFORD, NH	FRAME, ASHLEY M	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	BRISTOL	07/26/2008
PARENTE, THOMAS M	FRAMINGHAM, MA	DONOVAN, DEBORAH L	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILMANTON	08/02/2008
MEUSE, GREGG A	GILFORD, NH	HALEY, DEBORAH R	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	08/08/2008
SCUDDER, JONATHAN R	GILFORD, NH	MICHAEL, KELLY S	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	SANDWICH	08/09/2008
MYERS, JONATHAN P	GILFORD, NH	PRESCOTT, MARY A	LACONIA, NH	LACONIA	LACONIA	08/22/2008
BAILEY, SHAWN H	LACONIA, NH	JOHANSSON, JENNIFER H	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	LACONIA	08/30/2008
AGURKIS, CHRISTOPHER M	GILFORD, NH	LEVOY, JENNIFER C	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	SANBORNTON	08/30/2008
OSBURN, ROBERT R	GILFORD, NH	LEGRO, LOUISE J	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	09/06/2008
CUPPLES, ROSS W	GILFORD, NH	ORTOLANI, RENEE M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	09/06/2008
FARRUGGIA, ANGELO J	GILFORD, NH	AUCOIN, SARAH M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	09/13/2008
MARTEL, JAMES L	GILFORD, NH	CARIGNAN, LORRAINE M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	09/26/2008
ESTES, THOMAS J	GILFORD, NH	POORE, PATRICIA E	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	DANBURY	09/27/2008
CRISCONI, ROCCO J	GILFORD, NH	ROCHE, KATHERINE E	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	09/27/2008
SUITTER, DONALD B	BELMONT, NH	HARRISON, DONNA M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	LACONIA	09/28/2008
MARCHANT, MICHAEL	GILFORD, NH	KELLOGG, MARLENA	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	HOLLIS	11/15/2008
GIUFFRIDA, ROBERT C	GILFORD, NH	SANTY, ASIA R	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	LACONIA	12/21/2008

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RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

01/01/2008-12/31/2008

--GILFORD--

Child's Name	Date Of Birth	Place Of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
GUYER,ADDISON ANNETTE	01/16/2008	LACONIA,NH	GUYER,MATTHEW	GUYER,JODY
ALBERT,OLIVIA MARIE	02/09/2008	CONCORD,NH	ALBERT,DANIEL	ALBERT,DINA
GRIFFIN,ADAM MICHAEL	02/21/2008	LACONIA,NH	GRIFFIN,RYAN	GRIFFIN,PATRICIA
POW,RYLEE ALANA-LYNN	03/04/2008	LACONIA,NH	POW,THOMAS	COSTA,NICOLE
MCCOURT,COOPER GREGORY	03/05/2008	LACONIA,NH	MCCOURT,ROBERT	LEMAY,KATE
WATSON,ABIGAIL ELIZABETH	03/07/2008	LACONIA,NH	WATSON,TODD	WATSON,JENNIFER
LADNAY,JAYLYNNE MARIE	03/21/2008	LACONIA,NH	LADNAY,CHRISTOPHER	THOROUGHGOOD,JULIE
WYLIE,SAMANTHA MARIA	04/20/2008	LACONIA,NH	WYLIE,JASON	KRANC,NATALIA
WOODS,SAWYER DAVID	04/23/2008	CONCORD,NH	WOODS,ROBERT	WOODS,TRISHA
LANE,MCKAYLA ELIZABETH	04/30/2008	LACONIA,NH	LANE,HANK	MATLEY,WENDY
POPE,NINA MARIA	04/30/2008	LACONIA,NH	POPE,NATHAN	MILES,STEPHANIE
LEWIS,CAMDYN JONATHAN	05/18/2008	LACONIA,NH	LEWIS,ERIC	MOREL,ASHLEY
SURANYI,NOAH ZOLTAN	05/25/2008	LACONIA,NH	SURANYI,LESLIE	SURANYI,DIANE
FOLAN,RYAN PATRICK	05/29/2008	LACONIA,NH	FOLAN,BRENDAN	FOLAN,HEIDI
BURKE,ANNA LOUISE	05/29/2008	CONCORD,NH	BURKE,CHRISTOPHER	MAHER,JENNIFER
BURLOCK,EMILIA ANN	06/01/2008	LACONIA,NH	BURLOCK,CHRISTOPHER	BURLOCK,ALLISON
SOLIDUM,JETHRO ADRIEL AGUIRRE	06/09/2008	LACONIA,NH	SOLIDUM,MOISES	SOLIDUM,ARNELI
BICKFORD,IRELAND DOROTHY	06/30/2008	MANCHESTER,NH	BICKFORD,CHARLES	BICKFORD,ALEXANDRA
MADON,KENDALL ELIZABETH	07/10/2008	LACONIA,NH	MADON,JEFFREY	MADON,KAREN
HANSON,JOSHUA DANIEL	07/15/2008	LACONIA,NH	HANSON,DANIEL	SPAULDING,JORDANN
PERRY,JACOBY DAVID	07/17/2008	CONCORD,NH	PERRY,DAVID	STROHM,HEATHER
VANSTEENSBURG,MATTEO PAUL	07/30/2008	LACONIA,NH	VANSTEENSBURG,ADAM	GRANT-VANSTEENSBURG,SHERI
BOURGEOIS,CAMERON GARRETT	08/19/2008	LACONIA,NH	BOURGEOIS,DANIEL	BOURGEOIS,MARY
HENDERSON,RENEE LYN	10/07/2008	LACONIA,NH	HENDERSON,SCOTT	HENDERSON,JENNIFER
SOUTHWORTH,GRACE MICHELLE	10/09/2008	LACONIA,NH	SOUTHWORTH,RYAN	SOUTHWORTH,JOY
LYONS,CARLEE MARIE	10/10/2008	LACONIA,NH	LYONS,SCOTT	LYONS,DIANE
CARR,NATHAN RICHARD	10/16/2008	CONCORD,NH	CARR,CHRISTOPHER	CARR,JENNIFER

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RESIDENT CIVIL UNION REPORT

01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008

-- GILFORD --

Person A Name	Person A Residence	Person B Name	Person B Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Civil Union	Date of Civil Union
RICHTER,DEBORAH L	GILFORD,NH	CLENDENIN,MARY A	GILFORD,NH	GILFORD	CONCORD	01/01/2008
COLBY,LISA A	GILFORD,NH	LITTEER,REBECCA F	GILFORD,NH	LACONIA	GILFORD	09/13/2008
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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008

--GILFORD, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
GARDINER, DANIEL	01/01/2008	LACONIA	GARDINER, ERNEST	SHORT, CLAIRE	Y
MCALLISTER, COREY	01/12/2008	LACONIA	MCALLISTER, COREY	COTE, BLANCHE	Y
WILLIAMS, EVELYN	01/13/2008	LACONIA	TUCKER, HAROLD	HOYT, GRACE	N
WILLIAMS, AGNES	01/20/2008	MEREDITH	SWANSON, JOHN	PRINGLE, MARGARET	N
JETT, ELIZABETH	01/23/2008	LACONIA	MOSHER, GUY	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	N
TARRANT, VIRGINIA	01/30/2008	LACONIA	WILSON, THOMAS	MCKENNEY, MARY	N
MAHEUX, OLIVA	02/06/2008	LACONIA	MAHEUX, GIDEON	MORIN, IDA	Y
BENNETT, DORIS	02/10/2008	GILFORD	ORMES, CARLTON	PARKER, GERTRUDE	N
MILLIGAN, DIANE	02/24/2008	LACONIA	PONTIFEX SR, FRANK	BENT, ELIZABETH	N
KOZLOW, JOSEPH	02/27/2008	LACONIA	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	Y
BRAUN, PAULINE	02/28/2008	WARNER	TARR, WALTER	GRAHAM, KATHERINE	N
WOZNIAK, RONALD	02/28/2008	LACONIA	WOZNIAK, FRANK	ZALEWSKI, NORA	N
MURPHY, ROBERT	03/05/2008	LACONIA	MURPHY, PETER	LEWIS, MARGUERITE	Y
WRIGHT, CARL	03/10/2008	GILFORD	WRIGHT, FORREST	DOW, ELTHEA	N
KALUDER, STANISLAUS	03/28/2008	GILFORD	KALUDER, BLASIUS	DOBERSEK, MATILDA	N
SAWYER, GEORGE	03/31/2008	LACONIA	SAWYER, MAURICE	CROSBY, RACHEL	N
MOONEY, MICHAEL	04/08/2008	LACONIA	MOONEY, RONALD	THOMPSON, BEATRICE	Y
BARKER, CHARLES	04/09/2008	LACONIA	BARKER, UNKNOWN	OGGIN, HELEN	Y



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--GILFORD, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
ROWSON, ALEXANDER	04/09/2008	GILFORD	ROWSON, JOHN	CLAVETT, LYNN	N
MCINTIRE, ALLEN	04/27/2008	LACONIA	MCINTIRE, DANIEL	BRENNAN, MARGARET	Y
KETCHUM, ROBERT	05/09/2008	LACONIA	KETCHUM, HENRY	THIBERGE, EVA	Y
MILLIGAN, PAUL	05/09/2008	LACONIA	MILLIGAN, DANIEL	BRENNAN, THERESE	Y
OSTRAND, BARBARA	05/23/2008	MEREDITH	BRODRICK, RICHARD	MILLIKEN, RUTH	N
POMERLEAU, NORMAN	05/27/2008	LACONIA	POMERLEAU, JOSEPH	LAJOY, LAURA	N
GRAFE, HELEN	06/11/2008	LACONIA	HAWES, WALTER	HERMANSON, MARIE	N
PLUMMER, JANET	06/19/2008	GILFORD	OSTRAND, ROY	BRODRICK, BARBARA	N
ST GERMAIN, JEANNETTE	06/28/2008	GILFORD	GAGNE, ARCHIE	TOUTAINT, JULIA	N
REHE, WARREN	06/30/2008	LACONIA	REHE, AUGUST	HURST, FERN	N
MAKRIS, CAROL	07/02/2008	GILFORD	LEFEBVRE, ROBERT	KELLY, IOLA	N
LAFRENIERE, EDWARD	07/03/2008	GILFORD	LAFRENIERE, JOHN	O'DOWD, ELIZABETH	N
FURBISH JR, RICHARD	07/03/2008	LACONIA	FURBISH SR, RICHARD	ARMS, SHIRLEY	Y
LUCAS, JAMES	07/06/2008	GILFORD	LUCAS, JOHN	HILL, OLIVANN	N
HARDING, ROBERT	07/08/2008	GILFORD	HARDING SR, ROBERT	FITZPATRICK, MARY	N
EADDY, DONALD	07/09/2008	LACONIA	EADDY, WILLIAM	JOHNSON, CLOTEL	N
KUKLER, EDWARD	07/11/2008	LACONIA	KUKLER, ADOLF	BELT, PETRONELLA	N
BRIDGE, WILLIAM	07/11/2008	GILFORD	BRIDGE, MERRIT	SOBOCZINSKI, JANE	Y



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--GILFORD, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
RITSON, EDWARD	07/16/2008	LACONIA	RITSON, DANIEL	CAMPBELL, MARJORIE	Y
PUMA, PATRICIA	07/17/2008	LACONIA	BRUNO, PASQUALE	IONA, VIOLA	N
DAL PAN, FLORINDO	07/17/2008	GILFORD	DAL PAN, FELICE	DEPELIGRIN, MARIA	Y
TUTTLE, ALFONSO	07/17/2008	LACONIA	TUTTLE, ALVIN	RAND, SARA	Y
SPENCE, THOMAS	07/17/2008	GILFORD	SPENCE, ROBERT	DAVIS, VIRGINIA	Y
FISHER, JANE	07/21/2008	FRANKLIN	FISHER, VERNON	SEARLE, CATHERINE	N
KIRKMAN, CATHERINE	07/26/2008	GILFORD	O'LEARY, JOHN	KUSCH, STELLA	N
SCHUMANN, WILLIAM	08/02/2008	LACONIA	SCHUMANN, ROBERT	LESLIE, M CATHERINE	N
KYDD, MALCOLM	08/08/2008	LACONIA	KYDD, DAVID	MCBRIDE, FLORENCE	N
STEELE, RICHARD	08/17/2008	LACONIA	STEELE, RICHARD	EATON, CONSTANCE	N
KUPETZ, STEPHEN	09/05/2008	GILFORD	KUPETZ SR, JOHN	ILG, JANET	Y
OSBURN, ROBERT	09/07/2008	GILFORD	OSBURN, ALEXANDER	HUGHES, HILDA	Y
DUBEAU, MICHAEL	09/07/2008	GILFORD	DUBEAU, EDWARD	DONEGAN, ANNA	N
GUYOTTE, IRENE	09/10/2008	LACONIA	NEDEAU, JOHN	BLAKE, HELENA	N
GORDON, MARGARET	09/14/2008	GILFORD	HENRY, RALPH	CUMMING, FRANCES	N
SMITH JR, JOSEPH	09/14/2008	TILTON	SMITH SR, JOSEPH	O'NEIL, ELIZABETH	Y
GARVEY, FRANCIS	09/30/2008	LACONIA	GARVEY, EDWARD	LAMACCHIA, CECELIA	Y
DAVIS, EDWARD	11/01/2008	LACONIA	DAVIS, FRANK	PHILBROOK, NELLIE	N



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--GILFORD, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
LENT JR, KENNETH	11/01/2008	LACONIA	LENT SR, KENNETH	MELVIN, GAIL	Y
DECATO, EMILE	11/14/2008	LACONIA	DECATO, DALLAS	RAMEOR, EXZELIA	Y
WATSON, BURTON	11/17/2008	GILFORD	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	LAMONT, BERTHA	N
CALVETTI, LYNDA	11/30/2008	GILFORD	PLODZIK, JOHN	TULGREN, GLADYS	N
GARDNER, CARL	12/04/2008	TILTON	GARDNER, STANLEY	RODENHIZER, LETTIE	Y
GAGNON, ADRIAN	12/17/2008	LACONIA	GAGNON, HENRI	PROVENCAL, SALOMIE	Y
TUTTLE, SHAWN	12/18/2008	LACONIA	STROUT, LESLIE	TUTTLE, SHEILA	N
DAVIDSON, LORRAINE	12/19/2008	LACONIA	VERZONE, PETER	MCLEAVY, HELEN	N
DAIGLE, RAYMOND	12/29/2008	GILFORD	DAIGLE, LAURENT	JONCAS, EVA	Y

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Annual Report

Of the

School District

of the town of

GILFORD

New Hampshire

**for the year ending
December 31, 2008**

**OFFICERS OF THE
GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Moderator

John Cameron

Clerk

Kimberly Varricchio

Treasurer

Paul Simoneau

Auditors

Plodzik, & Sanderson

SCHOOL BOARD

Susan Allen, Chairperson	Term Expires 2009
Margo Weeks, Vice Chairperson	Term Expires 2010
Kurt Webber, Clerk	Term Expires 2009
Paul Blandford	Term Expires 2011
Derek Tomlinson	Term Expires 2010

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Paul DeMinico

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR BUSINESS SERVICES

Scott Isabelle

Regular meetings of the School Board
First Monday of Each Month
6:00 P.M. - Gilford Elementary School



GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT DELIBERATIVE SESSION

February 7, 2008

Gilford High School Auditorium

To the inhabitants of the School District of Gilford in the County of Belknap, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote on district affairs, gathered on Wednesday, February 7, 2008 to deliberate on district affairs, at 7:00 p.m., in the Gilford High School Auditorium

At 7:00 p.m. John Cameron, School District Moderator, opened the Deliberative Session. There were approximately 50 voters in attendance. John Cameron introduced the officials: Sue Allen, School Board Chair; Margo Weeks, School Board Vice-Chair; Paul Blandford, School Board; David Sayward, School District Attorney; Kimberly Varricchio, School District Clerk; Dick Hickok, Budget Committee Chairman; John Cameron, Moderator.

The Moderator also introduced the following who were present in the audience representing the school district: Paul DeMinico, Scott Isabelle, Ken Wiswell, Jim Kemmerer & Sandra McGonagle.

The Moderator lead the Pledge of Allegiance then explained the ground rules for the meeting.

Article II was read as written:

ARTICLE II General Budget Funds

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty Three Million, One Hundred Seventy Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Seventy One Dollars (\$23,177,571). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty Three Million, Eighty Two Thousand, Four Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars, (\$23,082,479), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Gilford School District, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Note: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article. (Majority vote is required)

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

Moved by: Dick Hickok
Seconded by: Margo Weeks

Joe Hoffman spoke against the article.

Doug Lambert pointed out that the school did a good job with the budget. Doug pointed out that enrollment figures are declining and as we see continued decline in enrollment he is concerned about the over all size of the administration. Doug stated that he feels the superintendent is doing a good job. Doug commended the school board and administration for their work regarding the support staff insurance co-pay and would like to see the employees contribute to their insurance in the future. Doug asked the impact on the tax rate if the budget were to pass.

Scott Isabelle replied stating that the impact of the operating budget would be .61cents on the tax rate and .58 for the default budget.

Joe Hoffman questioned the legal fees spent by the district.

Sue Allen responded that there is a line item in the budget specifically for legal fees.

Joe Hoffman asked how much the legal line is in the budget

Scott Isabelle responded stating that the legal fee line is \$15,500.00.

Terry Stewart stated that the budget committee breaks up the budget in the sub-committee meetings and that any citizen is welcome to attend and every item is discussed at length, including the legal line.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion, he read the next Article.

Article III was read as written:

ARTICLE III School Buildings Roof Replacement

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars, (\$475,000), for the replacement of the school building roofs to the Gilford High School and the Gilford Elementary School and authorize the withdrawal of Fifty Thousand Dollars, (\$50,000), from the capitol reserve fund created for that purpose. The balance of Four Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars, (\$425,000) is to come from general taxation. (Majority vote is required).

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

Moved by: Margo Weeks

Seconded by: Paul Blandford

Joe Hoffman asked why the roof wasn't repaired when the building project was done.

Margo explained that these were old roofs and were not a part of the building project.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion, he read the next Article.

Article IV was read as written:

ARTICLE IV Gilford School District Administration Offices Relocation

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Eight Thousand Dollars, (\$58,000) for the cost to relocate the Gilford School District Administration Offices to the Gilford Elementary School. This expense is to be funded from the June 30 unreserved fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1. This is a special warrant article. (Majority vote required)

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

Moved by: Sue Allen

Seconded by: Margo Weeks

Doug Lambert explained that the school board agreed to trim an equivalent amount of money from the budget, an appropriation to a capitol reserve fund for boiler replacement. Doug stated that this represents something quite positive in the budget season. Doug said that the school board should be congratulated for a little give and take. Doug feels that the superintendent should be in the heart of where education happens and it is an appropriate place for the leader to be and makes for efficiency and better supervision. Doug thanked the school board for the work they did to make this happen.

Joe Hoffman spoke against the article.

Pam Hayes spoke against the article with concerns about the parking and loss of instructional space. Pam stated that she would like to see the public better prepared before the article is voted on.

Joe Wernig asked the square footage. Joe expressed concern regarding the impact to the students. Joe also expressed concern regarding the parking.

Sue Allen responded by explaining the area of the proposal. Currently the area houses two 4th grade classrooms and a reading specialist. The faculty that is currently in those areas will be relocated within the building. Sue explained that the 5th grade has been moved to the middle school. Parking is not going to be an issue as far as traffic as there isn't a lot of traffic that comes to the SAU. Sue stated that we have contemplated putting parking in the front. We are sitting with a one year lease at the town hall and it isn't clear for how long the town will be willing to house the SAU office. The town needs additional space as does the school district. Sue stated that they felt that this was the best use of tax dollars.

Tim Bartlett answered Joe Wernig's question and said that the square footage is just over 3000 square feet.

Paul DeMinico addressed the relocation of the classes. We looked at what impact this would have on instruction and there was none. There is no reduction of instructional space. When the fifth grade left, there were 4 sections/classrooms. We are reducing a teacher this coming year. That is 5 full class rooms. There will be another reduction of a teacher the following year, making it 6 empty class rooms. Speech and language would shift to a smaller space from 900 to 300 square feet. Paul assured folks that there is no impact on education, instructional time or space.

Dick Campbell had an opinion on the wording. Dick stated that instead of the money going to reduce taxes it will be spent and should go in the budget.

Sue Allen stated that she will ask Paul DeMinico to add a presentation to the agenda of the next school board meeting on February 18 as to what the layout will look like.

Skip Murphy said that all the budget committee meetings were posted when this warrant article was discussed and the floor plan discussed and those wondering about this had the chance to come to the budget meeting.

Joe Hoffman questioned the disposal of the portable classrooms and if there was any revenue involved.

Sue Allen explained that we had a hard time selling them. We did try to sell them but most school districts are not interested in buying them.

Scott Isabelle stated that the portable classrooms were put up for public bid. We did have two bidders, The Department of Fish and Game and a private citizen whose intent was to donate it to another district. Once we relinquished them, other districts couldn't use them as they were out of code.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion, he read the next Article.

Article V was read as written:

ARTICLE V Citizen Petition – Gilford High School Varsity and JV Football

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars, (\$30,000) to fund a varsity and junior varsity football team for Gilford High School. Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars, (\$7,500), will be raised from gate receipts, fund raising and concession sales; the balance of Twenty Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$22,500) is to come from general taxation. This will be an ongoing annual appropriation and part of the operating budget to be funded from general taxation. **(Submitted by Petition)**

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

Moved by: Lou Athanas

Seconded by: Norman Harris

Lou Athanas thanked the school board and budget committee for their support. Lou shared the accomplishments of the team.

Joe Hoffman spoke about the history of the Meadows property.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion, he read the next Article.

Article VI was read as written:

ARTICLE VI Citizen Petition – Gilford High School First Robotics Team

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars, (\$6,000), to fund the registration fee and program materials for the Gilford High School FIRST Robotics Team. This will be an ongoing annual appropriation to be funded from general taxation. **(Submitted by Petition)**

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

Moved by: Jackie Drever

Seconded by: Mike Andrews

Jackie Drever explained the robotics program has been in Gilford for 3 years. Jackie spoke in favor of the article and asked for the support of the voters.

Mike Andrews also spoke in favor of the article.

Doug Lambert commented that the program combines, math engineering and allows for competition.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article.

Sue Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting until March 11, 2008 with a second from Margo Weeks.

At 8:04 p.m. there being no further business to come before the meeting, the Moderator declared the meeting adjourned to March 11, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly L. Varricchio
School District Clerk

**Gilford School District
Second Session of Annual Meeting
School District Voting and Election Minutes
March 11, 2008**

The voting/election session of the Annual Meeting commenced at 7am.

At 7:00 p.m. the Moderator announced the polls closed.

Voting/Election Results:

School District Moderator: John Cameron: 1408. Write in votes: 7. Total votes cast: 1415. John Cameron elected.

School District Treasurer: Paul R. Simoneau: 1430. Write in votes: 9. Total votes cast: 1439. Paul Simoneau elected.

School District Clerk: Kimberly Varricchio: 1367. Write in votes: 6. Total votes cast: 1373. Kimberly Varricchio elected.

School Board Members: Paul Blandford: 1375. Write in votes: 49. Total votes cast: 1424. Paul Blandford elected.

Article #2: General Budget Funds: Yes: 1228, No: 440. Total votes cast: 1668
The Article passed.

Article #3: School Buildings Roof Replacement: Yes: 1348, No: 332. Total votes cast: 1680. The Article passed.

Article #4: Gilford School District Administration Offices Relocation: Yes: 702, No: 971. Total votes cast: 1673. The Article did not pass.

Article #5: Citizen Petition – Gilford High School Varsity and JV Football: Yes: 953, No: 718. Total votes cast: 1671. The Article passed.

Article #6: Citizen Petition – Gilford High School First Robotics Team: Yes: 1152, No: 516. Total votes cast: 1668. The Article passed.

Write-in list is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly L. Varricchio
School District Clerk

2008 Report of the Gilford School Board Chair

As we reflect on 2008, we realize the challenges that faced the Gilford School District. This past year found us trying to make ends meet with soaring prices of supplies, food and fuel. Each year, the School Board prepares the following school year's budget using our best estimation of costs and then the School Board needs to adjust allocations as unexpected costs rise. Ultimately, the School Board's goal is to provide a quality education for all our students.

During the summer months, the School District had to unexpectedly locate the SAU office to the Elementary School when the area that housed the office in the Town Hall became structurally unsound. The temporary re-location lasted several months and actually went into the start of the 2008 – 2009 school year since construction at the Town Hall took longer than originally anticipated. The School Board appreciates the flexibility and co-operation of the SAU staff and of the elementary school staff during this period. The SAU has returned to the Town Hall location but, due to the need for a more permanent space, the SAU will plan on being relocated in the coming year. Possible locations are being explored. No decisions have been made at this time. The School Board has budgeted in the 2009-2010 funding for the relocation.

During the past year, the School Board looked at the International Baccalaureate Program (IB) for our students. In June, the School Board voted to continue the exploration of the program with the intention of making a decision in June of 2009 as to whether it will pursue making formal application to the IB. Forums have been held for students, staff and parents and more informational forums are planned for 2009.

We continue to house two of our academic programs at the "Meadows" location. The Meadows Advisory Committee, with the approval of the School Board, is also moving forward with the proposed athletic fields at the Meadows. The application for the project is being submitted to the Department of Environmental Services for its review. As the process moves forward, the Committee and School Board will be meeting with the appropriate town boards and holding public forums.

The School Board also negotiated a three year teachers' contract which will be voted on by the taxpayers in March 2009. The average raise per year is 3% under the new contract with the teacher's co-pay for health insurance increasing from \$5.00 per visit to \$20.00 per visit. Other changes reflect an increase in workshop reimbursement and the amount allocated for course reimbursement was decreased from \$40,000.00 to \$35,000.00. Those are just a few of the changes under the proposed contract.

The Subcommittee working on the coaching and extra-curricular stipends will continue in the new year as an agreement has not been reached yet. This on-going committee continues to be part of the new contract.

Since, the School Board makes its decisions and budget requests for the School District based on the Long Range Strategic Plan Goals, I felt it was important that I include them as part of my report:

Curriculum

Goal: Gilford School District will develop and maintain an ongoing curriculum process, K-12, that is coordinated across grade levels and subject areas.

Student Learning

Goal: Teachers will use a variety of instructional methods and provide students varied opportunities to demonstrate and apply their learning.

Professional Development

Goal: The Gilford School District will move to a model of professional development that connects district goals, learner outcomes, and staff evaluations.

Parent-Community

Goal: Gilford School District will advance involvement of and communication with families and community members.

Facilities

Goal: The Gilford School District will develop a formal plan for ongoing maintenance and capital improvements.

And what lies ahead for the Gilford School District? Lots of challenges. As we move into 2009, we face the challenge of replacing two very special and dedicated administrators: Sandy McGonagle at the Elementary School and Jim Kemmerer at the Middle School. The search has already started for their replacements. And while we will miss them dearly, we wish them the best in their upcoming retirements!

The School Board has also taken a very hard look at declining enrollment in the District and has made some very difficult but necessary decisions to cut some positions in the district. The Board struggles with making cuts but feels that those being proposed are both fiscally educationally responsible, are based primarily on declining enrollments and will not negatively impact the quality of education of the students.

Finally, on behalf of the Gilford School Board, I want to thank the community, our teachers, staff and administrators for their hard work and dedication to our School District. Together we can make a difference and provide a quality education for our students!

Respectfully submitted,

Susan D. Allen
Gilford School Board Chairperson

Gilford Elementary School Principal's Annual Report 2008

Thank you for this opportunity to provide the annual report of Gilford Elementary School to the citizens of Gilford. Opening day enrollment on September 3, 2008 was 370 students. This year marked the retirement of our long-time custodian, Robert Kelley. Mr. Kelley was a very popular custodian with students and staff. He took great pride in keeping our school clean and orderly. His greatest enjoyment was his association and support of our students. We wish him well in his retirement.

The implementation of *enVisionMATH*, a well researched, new, innovative and rigorous math program has been the focus of our curriculum. This new program addresses the State of New Hampshire mathematics standards in a visually stimulating, technology rich and problem solving format. The program combines the best instructional strategies of a standards-based approach with a more traditional approach to learning. Lessons are activity intense, involving students in hands-on and minds-on activities daily. Skills are tailored to individual student's ability levels and provide plenty of opportunity for practice. Tech Paths has continued to be a vital tool in the development of curriculum and alignment with State of New Hampshire Frameworks.

During 2008, the entire student body participated in an artist in residence program entitled *Outdoor Spaces are Magical Places*. This experience encompassed the creation of a kindergarten mural, a first grade stone garden, a second grade radio show, a set of tile benches created by third graders, and outdoor xylophones designed and created by fourth grade students. This experience promoted and enhanced the goals of CO-SEED, a school and community environmental education program.

Keeping pace with technology has continued to be an area of focus this year. Five Smart boards and projectors are used daily in classrooms and 10 projectors have been placed in other classrooms. Through the integration of technology, democracy, and the arts, students practice habits of good citizenship. The Tech Studio provides a broadcast throughout the school each morning. Showcase, a monthly all school gathering, continues to be an opportunity for students to display their learning.

The GES Student Council coordinated many projects this year which provided assistance to needy families and instilled in our student body the importance of helping others. The Green Panda Recycling Club coordinated the recycling efforts with paper, plastic and aluminum.

Assessment of student achievement of literacy skills is accomplished through a variety of benchmark assessments throughout the school year to assure that students are making steady progress. In September, students in grades 3 and 4 were administered a computer test (MAP – Measure of Academic Progress) through the Northwest Educational Association. They also participated in the State

of New Hampshire NECAP (New England Common Assessment Program) in October. The results of these tests are used to determine instructional needs of students and measure student progress in reading, math, language arts, and science.

For the 25th year, GES was the recipient of the New Hampshire Partners in Education Blue Ribbon Award to recognize parent and community volunteers in our school. We also received the Gold Circle Award for our partnership with Laconia Savings Bank and Hannaford Brothers. Laconia Savings Bank provides a weekly banking program for students, and Hannaford Brothers participates with students in the collection of store coupons, which provides a cash award for artist in residence programs. We express our thanks to parents and community volunteers for their support of our students and assistance to staff.

Carol Young-Podmore was named the recipient of the New Hampshire Milken Foundation Distinguished Teacher Award. This award provides professional recognition and an unrestricted financial award of \$25,000. Mrs. Young is currently teaching third grade in a two-three looping classroom. She is an innovative teacher and provides exceptional instruction to her students. She is a leader in the school community and is most worthy of the recognition. We are very proud of her accomplishments and pleased to have her as a colleague at Gilford Elementary School.

Frank Latosek from the Gilford Fire Department provided instruction to staff in CPR and first aid courses. The school continues to ensure a safe school environment by regularly conducting drills for response in a medical crisis or an emergency. Extended Day programs, Summer Day Program, and After School Enrichment programs continue to provide safe environments for after school and extend opportunities for enriching academic experiences for students. The costs of the programs are totally offset by revenues.

On behalf of the students and staff at Gilford Elementary School, we express our thanks to the community agencies that support our school, including the Gilford Police and Fire Departments, Department of Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Gilford Library, Thompson Ames Historical Society, and the Gilford Rotary Club. GES also thanks the Gilford School Board, SAU personnel, the Municipal Budget Committee, the Gilford PTA, the Volunteer Steering Committee, and the citizens of Gilford for supporting the goals, priorities, and vision of GES.

Sincerely,

Sandra T. McGonagle
Principal

Gilford Middle School Principal's Annual Report 2008

This fall Gilford Middle School started school on August 27, 2008 with a population of three hundred sixty-eight students and sixty-six faculty and support staff. We were very happy so many of our veteran faculty and staff returned for another year, and we were pleased to welcome several new members to our team, including Kristin Ellis, eighth grade language arts; Monique Rodrigue, paraprofessional; Valerie Sargent, paraprofessional; Melody Strout, paraprofessional; Hermann Defregger, paraprofessional; and Terry Turcotte, paraprofessional. We also commend and appreciate the talents of long term substitutes Allison Sullivan, guidance, who was with us the first half of the year, and Erica Duncan, who was a long term substitute for the second half. At the close of this school year, we congratulate and thank Sue Leitch, Duke Kline and Linda Wright who are retiring after collectively serving the Gilford School District for eighty years.

The staff at Gilford Middle School continues to be committed and dedicated to the development of a middle school model through instruction, student configuration, and curriculum offerings. Our primary goal continues to be to develop a school of academic excellence and provide a curriculum that is differentiated, integrative and challenging. This past summer we were pleased to be able to broaden our summer programming. Our recreation program, which completed its fifth year of operation, provides students in grades five through eight the option to engage in outdoor activities, field studies and crafts. This year we included two additional programs, The Summer Academy and Stage Right. The Summer Academy provided students with academic support in the areas of reading, mathematics and language arts. Stage Right provided students with interest in the performing arts an opportunity to hone their skills during two, two week programs. These programs were tremendously successful and approximately eighty students participated weekly.

The Adolescent Literacy Collaboratory began in August 2007. This is a year-long professional development initiative that supports interdisciplinary teams of teachers promoting their students' literacy development, while improving their content area learning. Through the combination of online and face-to face collaborative activities, teachers analyze their students' scores on the NWEA Reading Assessment, explore literacy research and resources, experiment with new teaching strategies and ultimately create a series of literacy-rich lessons in their content area. Our team included teachers in language arts, science and social studies. These staff members also act as literacy coaches during our monthly faculty meetings to share the strategies they find most effective and support their colleagues in the use of these strategies. The Adolescent Literacy Collaboratory is a partnership with Brown University.

To measure program impact on student reading skills, students of Collaboratory participants took the NWEA MAP Reading Assessment in Fall 2007 and Spring 2008. When reporting student results, NWEA provides an overall RIT scale score,

as well as scores on individual “goal strands” aligned with state standards. The results for our school were so overwhelmingly positive, that our reading specialist has been invited to present at the New England Middle School Annual Conference in April to detail our success during the implementation phase.

On behalf of the entire staff at Gilford Middle School, I would like to express our sincere appreciation for the continued support of the PTA, Volunteer Steering Committee, School Board, Central Office Administration and Gilford community members.

Respectfully submitted,

James Kemmerer
Principal, GMS

Gilford High School Principal's Annual Report 2008

The opening day enrollment at Gilford High School was 573 and grew to 587 by December 31st as we continue our growth trend in grades 9-12. We welcomed eight new members to our faculty in August. They are Lori Bishop and Adam Finch in English, Jason Conway in Math, Adam Nudd-Homeyer in Technical Education, Leaman Antone in Art, Katrina Brooks in Science, Monica Sawyer in Guidance, and Tyler Davis is teaching English and computer keyboarding. We are very fortunate to have attracted these talented new staff members. As we continue our efforts to redesign the high school educational program to the needs of the 21st century, we want to express our sincere appreciation for the support provided by the community toward the many new initiatives we have implemented.

The Gilford High School Faculty has devoted much of the past year to work on the reaccreditation process in association with the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). The New England Association of Schools and Colleges is one of six regional accrediting associations in the United States. GHS is one of 1,928 NEASC member institutions who are evaluated for accreditation every ten years. GHS decennial accreditation visit is scheduled for March 15-18, 2009. We were last visited by NEASC in 1999.

The GHS faculty and staff, along with several community members, have conducted a thorough self-study of our performance against seven standards covering the areas of *Mission, Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, Community Resources for Learning, Leadership and Organization, and School Resources for Learning*. The faculty gathered data and then wrote comprehensive reports for each of these standards. Each report was discussed, revised, and approved by at least two-thirds of the faculty.

Using our Self-Study as a guide, the NEASC Accreditation Team of 15 educational professionals from around New England will examine the school and issue a final accreditation report during the summer months. This report, which will be made available to the public in late summer, will commend us for our successes and make recommendations for our continued improvement. This ten-year process requires us to make progress reports to the Commission on Public Secondary Schools at the two-year and five-year bench marks.

Another ongoing and important initiative at GHS has been high school redesign. Along with most other New Hampshire high schools, GHS has been engaged in various initiatives in order to equip our students with 21st century knowledge and skills. One of the major aspects of high school redesign at GHS focuses on our conversion to competency based grading and credit award systems. A competency describes the content, concepts, and/or skills to be mastered in a course. Competencies identify what a student should know or be able to do in order to proceed to the next educational level and/or life beyond high school. Competencies "bundle" a set of skills, abilities, and knowledge into one general standard.

For students and parents, the most significant immediate impact is that students will not be able to earn a course credit by doing well in only a few areas of a course. Up until now, a student could pass a course and earn credit toward graduation by averaging his or her high grades in one part of the course with his or her poor grades in another part of the course. In 2009, students will be required to demonstrate sufficient mastery in all areas of the course that have a corresponding competency. Regardless of how well they do in other parts of a particular course, credit will not be awarded until the standards for all competencies have been satisfied.

The change to competency (or standards) based credits needs to be reflected in our revamped grading system. We have invested significant time developing a grade reporting system that will allow parents to monitor their child's grades for each competency within a given course. Reporting just the over-all grade for a student is no longer sufficient information for parents and students, since a passing grade is now required for each competency.

Another factor that the GHS faculty is also reviewing and revising is what types of academic work should be factored into a student's grade. In light of the fact that a student's performance against the competency standards is the most important criterion for awarding credit, we are reconsidering how much of a role should intangibles like effort, attitude, and class participation play in the grading formula. This is just one example of the changes that will occur in the way high schools operate that are a result of the conversion to a competency based system.

These issues and others, such as the investigation of the International Baccalaureate Programme, are part of our goal to become a high school that is focused on stimulating educational engagement by students; encouraging new models of teaching and learning; offering personalized support for each student; and clarifying performance expectations for educators and students.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Wiswell
Principal, GHS

School Statistics
Gilford School District Enrollment
As of October 1, 2008

Elementary

Kindergarten	68
Grade 1	68
Grade 2	61
Grade 3	81
Grade 4	93
Total Elementary	371

Middle School

Grade 5	77
Grade 6	99
Grade 7	91
Grade 8	102
Total Middle	369

High School

Grade 9	145
Grade 10	147
Grade 11	153
Grade 12	139
Total High	584

School District Total	1324
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**GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008**

Expenditures

Instruction	\$3,218,810.72
Related Services	305,701.66
Administration	165,009.15
Legal	111.00
Transportation	130,175.58

Total Expenditures	\$3,819,808.11
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Revenues

Catastrophic Aid	\$ 379,591.83
Medicaid	69,580.44
Other LEA'S	140,393.80
Dis Programs (Federal)	268,194.34

Total Revenues	\$ 857,760.41
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Expenses are for delivery of special education instruction, occupational/physical therapy, speech therapy, physical therapy, and special education transportation. Grant programs and revenues are for special education services delivered through state or federal funding.

**FINANCIAL REPORT
GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008**

	<u>General Fund</u>
Revenues	
School district assessment	\$ 12,669,879
Other local	3,101,751
State	5,107,978
Federal	<u>69,580</u>
Total revenues	<u>\$ 20,949,188</u>
Expenditures	
Current	
Instruction	8,917,943
Support services:	
Student	857,251
Instructional staff	766,656
General administration	70,839
Executive administration	167,837
School administration	1,067,886
Business	259,818
Operation and maintenance of plant	1,601,910
Student transportation	581,873
Other	4,606,635
Non-Instructional Services	
Debt service	
Principal	1,040,000
Interest	592,965
Total expenditures	<u>20,533,701</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>415,487</u>
Other financing sources (uses):	
Transfers in	
Transfers out	
Total other financing sources and uses	<u>(100,000)</u>
Net change in fund balance	315,487
Increase in fund balance reserved for special purposes	68,411
Unreserved fund balance, beginning	<u>859,648</u>
Unreserved fund balance, ending	<u>\$ 1,243,546</u>

Note Source – Plodzick & Sanderson, Independent Auditors

**FINANCIAL REPORT
GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**FOOD SERVICE FUNDS
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008**

Revenues:

Local	\$ 343,454
State	5,868
Federal	<u>108,129</u>
Total revenues	<u>457,451</u>

Expenditures:

Current:

Instruction	
Non-instructional service	<u>468,811</u>
Total expenditures	<u>468,811</u>

Excess of revenues over expenditures	(11,360)
Fund balances, beginning	<u>131,466</u>
Fund balances, ending	<u>120,106</u>

Note Source – Plodzik & Sanderson, Independent Auditors

TOWN OF GILFORD
2009 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Gilford in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

FIRST SESSION

You are hereby notified to meet for the First Session of the 2009 Annual Town Meeting, to be held in the Gilford High School Auditorium, in said Town of Gilford, on Wednesday, February 4, beginning at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 p.m.). The First Session will consist of explanation, discussion and debate on each of the following warrant articles; and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to each warrant article to the extent prescribed under the laws of the State of New Hampshire.

SECOND SESSION

You are hereby notified to meet for the Second Session of the 2009 Annual Town Meeting, to be held in the Gilford Middle School Gymnasium, in said Town of Gilford, on Tuesday, March 10, beginning at seven o'clock in the morning (7:00 a.m.) until the closing of the polls at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 p.m.). The Second Session will consist of voting by official ballot to elect Town Officers and voting by official ballot on all warrant articles from the First Session, as may be amended, as follows:

ARTICLE 1 To choose the necessary Town Officers for the following year; to wit:

- One Selectman for a 3 year term
- One Trustee of Trust Funds for a 3 year term
- Two Library Trustees for 3 year terms
- Three Budget Committee Members for 3 year terms
- One Fire Engineer for a 3 year term
- One Cemetery Trustee for a 3 year term
- One Cemetery Trustee for a 2 year term
- One Cemetery Trustee for a 1 year term

ARTICLE 2 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 1 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Create a new Article 20, Small Wind Energy Systems, to regulate development, placement, and use of Small Wind Energy Systems; and renumber the existing Article 20 and subsequent Articles as Articles 21 through 25 respectively?

ARTICLE 3 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 2 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Gilford by changing the zoning of approximately 90 acres located at the southerly end of Blaisdell Avenue, from the Industrial (I) and Limited Residential (LR) Zones to the Commercial (C) Zone?

ARTICLE 4 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 3 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 3, Definitions, by adding a new definition for “Bunkhouse” which is an accessory building to a single-family dwelling used as sleeping quarters for guests staying at the dwelling?

ARTICLE 5 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 4 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 4.3, table of Commercial Uses, by changing the designation of certain commercial uses as permitted uses, uses permitted by special exception, or uses not permitted in the Commercial, Professional Commercial, Resort Commercial, and Industrial zones?

ARTICLE 6 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 5 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 5.1.2, Minimum Lot Dimension, by deleting the existing subparagraph (d) which allows lots with smaller than standard frontage, and replacing it with a revised subparagraph (d), which will allow lots with smaller than standard frontage but will add restrictions and further clarify the existing standards?

ARTICLE 7 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 6 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 8.2.1.5, Signs Not Allowed, by amending Subsection (d) to eliminate the exception allowing offsite signs erected in deeded rights-of-way and the related provisions for such signs?

ARTICLE 8 Are you in favor of adopting a revised Fire Prevention Code as proposed by the Gilford Fire Engineers and recommended by the Gilford Planning Board, whereby the current Fire Prevention Code will be repealed and the revised Fire Prevention Code will reference more recent editions of National Fire Protection Association codes as adopted and amended within the State Fire Code; and furthermore, to add provisions for the creation of a Town of Gilford Fire Code Handbook, requirements for the installation of fire alarm systems, revisions to the system of fines for false alarms, establishment of standards for non-residential sprinkler suppression systems, provisions for access to fire alarm systems and establishes general fire safety requirements along with a system of permits, fees and penalties? (A copy of the entire proposed text is on file with the Town Clerk for public inspection.)

ARTICLE 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million five hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$1,580,000) (gross budget) for the construction and renovation of an expanded police station, to include a geo-thermal climate control system, and to authorize the issuance of not more than one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the interest rate thereon; with the balance of three hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$380,000) to come from surplus fund balance. (3/5 Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 7 to 2)

ARTICLE 10 Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$11,041,931? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$10,725,323, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the Board of Selectmen may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 0)

ARTICLE 11 To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the two year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and Teamsters Local 633 on behalf of certain Police Department employees, which calls for an estimated increase of thirty-five thousand four hundred seventy-nine dollars (\$35,479) for wages and benefits at the current staffing levels for the year 2009 and an estimated increase of forty-eight thousand nine hundred two dollars (\$48,902) for wages and benefits at the current staffing levels for the year 2010; and furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand four hundred seventy-nine dollars (\$35,479), such sum representing the estimated additional costs necessary to fund the collective bargaining agreement in the current fiscal year over the appropriation for wages and benefits paid in the prior fiscal year. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 0)

ARTICLE 12 Shall the Town, if Article 11 is defeated, vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 11 cost items only?"
(Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 13 To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the one year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and AFSCME Local 534 on behalf of certain Public Works Department employees, which calls for an estimated increase of thirty thousand five hundred ninety-three dollars (\$30,593) for wages and benefits at the current staffing levels for the year 2009; and furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand five hundred ninety-three dollars (\$30,593), such sum representing the estimated additional costs necessary to fund the collective bargaining agreement in the current fiscal year over the appropriation for wages and benefits paid in the prior fiscal year. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 14 Shall the Town, if Article 13 is defeated, vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 13 cost items only?"
(Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 15 To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing Technology Upgrades, to include computer items, copy machines, telecommunication items and similar products; and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in this fund, and appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee 5 to 4)

ARTICLE 16 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Compensated Absences Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 0)

ARTICLE 17 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Water Supply Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 0)

ARTICLE 18 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 0)

ARTICLE 19 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) to be added to the Recreation Facilities Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 20 To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of contracting services and purchasing equipment necessary for Digital Mapping and GIS Systems; and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in this fund, and appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 8 to 1)

ARTICLE 21 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred three thousand five hundred dollars (\$103,500) for the purchase of a Light Duty Dump Truck with plow, and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred three thousand five hundred dollars (\$103,500) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 0)

ARTICLE 22 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 0)

ARTICLE 23 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Glendale Boat and Launch Ramp Facilities Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 0)

ARTICLE 24 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Sewer Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 11 to 0)

ARTICLE 25 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 0)

ARTICLE 26 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand seven hundred sixty-two dollars (\$8,762) to support the operation of the Laconia Area Center of Community Action Program. The Laconia Area Center staff provides low income, elderly and disabled residents of Gilford assistance with basic needs such as fuel assistance, electric assistance, Meals-on-Wheels, rental assistance, security deposits for housing and maintain a food pantry accessible every day during business hours. In 2007 residents of Gilford received \$336,160 in services through the Community Action Program. (By Petition) (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Selectmen 3 to 0) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 1)

ARTICLE 27 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) for the Youth Services Bureau; a local agency that provides programs and services aimed at preventing juvenile delinquency and empowering youth. The Youth Services Bureau provides programs and services which emphasize accountability, education, decision-making skills and self-esteem development in a positive, non-judgmental and confidential atmosphere. Programs and services are cost-effective and focus on reducing or preventing expensive court intervention and placements. (By Petition) (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Selectmen 3 to 0) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 2)

ARTICLE 28 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine thousand four hundred two dollars and eighty-nine cents (\$9,402.89) to Genesis Behavioral Health for the delivery of Emergency Mental Health Services. These services include access to Master's level clinicians and psychiatrists by individuals, schools, police and others, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. (By Petition) (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Selectmen 3 to 0) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee 6 to 5)

ARTICLE 29 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to New Beginnings, the Center for intervention, support and advocacy for those whose lives have been affected by domestic, sexual and stalking violence, and these services include access to crisis line, staff and advocates by individuals, schools, police, hospitals and others, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. (By Petition) (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Selectmen 3 to 0) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee 6 to 5)

ARTICLE 30 To see if the voters agree to have the Town's Annual Payroll Report and Annual Vendor Payment Report published in the Town Report, beginning in 2010. Reports will include positions and all benefit costs. This article will remain in effect until rescinded by the voters. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 31 To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Library Trustees as agents to expend from the New Library Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2000. (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 32 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to the County of Belknap, a 0.78 (+/-) acre parcel of land situated within the Weeks Town Forest and more particularly referenced as an easement area in a deed recorded at the Belknap County Registry of Deeds at Book 961, Page 374 and also shown as an easement area on a Survey Plan recorded at the Belknap County Registry of Deeds at Drawer L61, Plan 41; whereby said parcel is currently used and maintained as a ski trail; under such terms and conditions as the Selectmen may deem to be in the best interest of the Town. (Majority Vote Required)

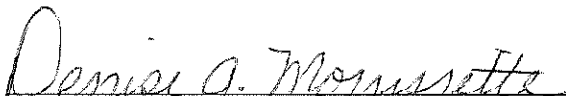
ARTICLE 33 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to Gilford Village Knolls, Inc., a 3.19 (+/-) acre parcel of land situated at 43 Potter Hill Road and more particularly referenced at Tax Map 226, Lot 78-1; under such terms and conditions as the Selectmen may deem to be in the best interest of the Town; provided that the sale price shall be based on a fair market appraisal to be completed by an appraiser acceptable to both the Town of Gilford and Gilford Village Knolls, but in no event to be less than one hundred ten thousand dollars (\$110,000). (Majority Vote Required)

ARTICLE 34 To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Central Fire Station Expansion and Renovation Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1995, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 35:16-a. (Majority Vote Required)

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON JANUARY 21, 2009.

AMENDED BY THE TOWN MEETING VOTERS AT THE FIRST "DELIBERATIVE" SESSION HELD ON FEBRUARY 4, 2009.

UNDER SEAL OF THE TOWN, A TRUE COPY, ATTEST:


Denise A. Morrisette, Town Clerk

BUDGET OF THE TOWN WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

OF: Gilford, NH

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Glenn T. Brier
William H. Phillips
Quincy G. [Signature]
Steve Hays
[Signature]
Steven C. Quinn

Terry J. Stewart
[Signature]
Geoffrey [Signature]
Richard C. Hooker

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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	GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		10	392,674		421,350		380,367				380,367	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		10	281,002		275,536		275,546				273,922	1,624
4150-4151	Financial Administration		10	153,000		136,497		152,000				152,000	
4152	Revaluation of Property		10	226,115		168,738		198,980				198,980	
4153	Legal Expense		10	80,000		140,566		90,600				90,600	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		10	1,904,625		1,714,075		1,964,561				1,964,561	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		10	212,083		207,164		228,670				228,670	
4194	General Government Buildings		10	262,041		262,911		277,414				277,414	
4195	Cemeteries		10	30,100		25,000		33,400				33,400	
4196	Insurance		10	86,000		88,865		90,300				90,300	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		10	8,104		8,104		8,440				8,440	
4199	Other General Government												
PUBLIC SAFETY													
4210-4214	Police		10	1,414,492		1,383,512		1,485,711				1,485,711	
4215-4219	Ambulance												
4220-4229	Fire		10	1,073,020		1,090,187		1,150,817				1,150,817	
4240-4249	Building Inspection												
4290-4298	Emergency Management		10	5,650		5,593		1,000				1,000	
4299	Other (Including Communications)		10	0				4,300				4,300	
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER													
4301-4309	Airport Operations		10	10,000		10,000							
HIGHWAYS & STREETS													
4311	Administration		10	182,327		164,107		179,914				179,914	
4312	Highways & Streets		10	1,493,171		1,230,542		1,577,461				1,577,461	
4313	Bridges		10	60,300		6,342		10,000				10,000	

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HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.													
4316	Street Lighting	10		20,000		22,645		23,779			23,779		
4319	Other	10		252,690		283,551		278,123			278,123		
SANITATION													
4321	Administration												
4323	Solid Waste Collection												
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	10		532,560		480,538		569,295			569,295		
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up												
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other												
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT													
4331	Administration												
4332	Water Services	10		44,367		44,367		46,585			46,585		
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other												
ELECTRIC													
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation												
4353	Purchase Costs												
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance												
4359	Other Electric Costs												
HEALTH/WELFARE													
4411	Administration	10						2,400			2,400		
4414	Pest Control			7,800			8,788						
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	10						26,900			26,900		
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	10		64,000			70,585	77,000			77,000		
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts												
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other												

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OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.								
	Electric-				XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
	Airport-							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund *							
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917 *							
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds *							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Fiduciary Funds							
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL			10,825,284	10,326,786	11,046,131		11,040,307	500

* Use special warrant article section on next page.

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3.VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	Warr. Art.#	APPROPRIATIONS		SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
			Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Police Facility Cap Reserve		150,000	150,000				
	Bridge Replacement Cap Reserve		50,000	50,000				
	Ambulance Capital Reserve		50,000	50,000				
	Police Station Addition	9			1,580,000		1,580,000	
	Technology Upgrades Capital Reserve	15			20,000		0	20,000
	Compensated Absences Cap Reserve	16	5,000	5,000	10,000		10,000	
	Water Supply Capital Reserve	17	10,000	10,000	10,000		10,000	
	Fire Equipment Capital Reserve	18			200,000		50,000	150,000
	Recreation Facility Cap Reserve	19	22,000	22,000	22,000		22,000	
	GIS Project Capital Reserve	20			20,000		20,000	
	Highway Equipment Cap Reserve	22	50,000	50,000	100,000		100,000	
	Glendale Capital Reserve	23	25,000	25,000	25,000		25,000	
	Sewer Capital Reserve	24	20,000	20,000	20,000		20,000	
	Building Repair Capital Reserve	25	5,000	5,000	10,000		0	10,000
	Community Action Program	26					0	8,762
	Youth Services Bureau	27			26,000		0	26,000
	New Beginnings	29			2,000		0	2,000
	Genesis Behavioral Health	28			9,403		0	9,403
	SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	2,063,165	0	1,837,000	226,165
			387,000	387,000			257,000	

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	Warr. Art.#	APPROPRIATIONS		SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
			Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	New Ambulance		214,000	214,000				
	Library Land sale proceeds		110,000	0				
	Lakes Region Community Health		23,500	23,500				
	Lakes Region Family Services		3,400	3,400				
	Teamsters Collective Bargain Agreement	11			35,479		35,479	
	AFSCME Collective Bargain Agreement	13			30,583		30,583	
	Highway Dump Truck	21			103,500		103,500	
	INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	169,572	0	169,572	0
			350,900	240,900				

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		0	0	0
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		10,000	3,552	7,500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		13,000	14,498	13,000
3189	Other Taxes- Betterments		9,458	9,259	9,458
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		120,300	157,201	140,300
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		1,000	452	1,000
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		67,710	73,678	73,710
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1,600,500	1,528,276	1,593,500
3230	Building Permits		61,000	49,228	55,900
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		10,750	8,963	8,250
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		86,370	86,370	43,185
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		280,000	328,090	300,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		193,284	192,620	199,706
3354	Water Pollution Grant		39,221	39,221	75,547
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		1,500	1,399	1,400
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)			1,844	
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS			80.26	
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		278,445	306,806	289,729
3409	Other Charges		87,000	101,223	93,500
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		122,000	11,401	12,000
3502	Interest on Investments		140,000	129,792	120,000
3503-3509	Other		23,400	28,055	24,000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

3,144,938

3,072,009

3,061,685

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)		796,793	760,802	792,489
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	21	170,000	110,000	103,500
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes	9			1,200,000
	Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")	9	150,000	150,000	380,000
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			300,000	257,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			4,261,731	4,392,811	5,794,674

1,116,793

1,320,802

2,732,989

BUDGET SUMMARY

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	10,825,284	11,046,131	11,040,307
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	387,000	2,063,165	1,837,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	350,900	169,572	169,572
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	11,563,184	13,278,868	13,046,879
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	4,261,731	5,794,674	5,794,674
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	7,301,453	7,484,194	7,252,205

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: \$1,121,399
 (See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

(For Calculating 10% Maximum Increase)

(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)

VERSION #2: Use if you have Collective Bargaining Cost Items

LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: Gilford FISCAL YEAR END 2009

Col. A

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT		
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Committee (see budget MS7, 27, or 37)	\$13,046,879		
LESS EXCLUSIONS:			
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	(\$521,591)		
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	(\$111,303)		
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b	(\$1,200,000)		
5. Mandatory Assessments			
6. TOTAL EXCLUSIONS (Sum of rows 2-5)	(\$1,832,894)		
7. Amount recommended less recommended exclusion amounts (Line 1 less Line 6)	\$11,213,985		
8. Line 7 times 10%	\$1,121,399		
9. Maximum allowable appropriation prior to vote (Line 1 + 8)	\$14,168,278	Col. B	Col. C (Col. B-A)
Cost items recommended		Cost items voted	Amt. voted above recommended
10. Collective Bargaining Cost Items, RSA 32:19 & 273-A:1, IV, (Complete Col. A prior to meeting & Col. B and Col. C at meeting)	\$35,479		
	\$30,593		

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE APPROPRIATIONS VOTED

At meeting, add Line 9 + Column C.

\$ _____

Line 8 plus any amounts in Column C (amounts voted above recommended) is the allowable increase to budget committee's recommended budget. Enter this amount on the bottom of the posted budget form, MS7, 27, or 37.

Please attach a copy of this completed supplemental schedule to the back of the budget form.

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DEFAULT BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF: Gilford, NH

For the Ensuing Year January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

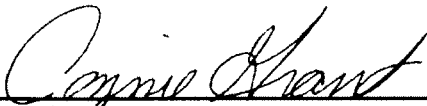
RSA 40:13, IX (b) "Default budget" as used in this subdivision means the amount of the same appropriations as contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year, reduced and increased, as the case may be, by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget. For the purposes of this paragraph, one-time expenditures shall be appropriations not likely to recur in the succeeding budget, as determined by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, of the local political subdivision.

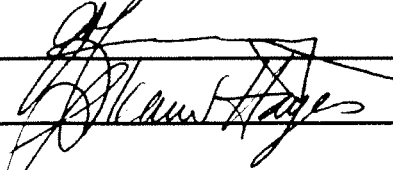
1. Use this form to list the default budget calculation in the appropriate columns.
2. Post this form or any amended version with proposed operating budget (MS-6 or MS-7) and the warrant.
3. Per RSA 40:13, XI, (a), the default budget shall be disclosed at the first budget hearing.

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

or

Budget Committee if RSA 40:14-b is adopted





NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	392,674	166		392,840
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	281,002			281,002
4150-4151	Financial Administration	153,000			153,000
4152	Revaluation of Property	226,115	(27,000)		199,115
4153	Legal Expense	80,000			80,000
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	1,904,625	65,657		1,970,282
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	212,083			212,083
4194	General Government Buildings	262,041			262,041
4195	Cemeteries	30,100			30,100
4196	Insurance	86,000	2,865		88,865
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	8,104			8,104
4199	Other General Government				
PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	1,414,492			1,414,492
4215-4219	Ambulance				
4220-4229	Fire	1,073,020			1,073,020
4240-4249	Building Inspection				
4290-4298	Emergency Management	5,650			5,650
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)				
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations	10,000	(10,000)		0
HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	182,327			182,327
4312	Highways & Streets	1,493,171	5,994		1,499,165
4313	Bridges	60,300		-50,000	10,300
4316	Street Lighting	20,000			20,000
4319	Other	252,690			252,690
SANITATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration				
4323	Solid Waste Collection				
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	532,560	17,474		550,034
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up				
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other				

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX					
4331	Administration				
4332	Water Services	44,367	2,218		46,585
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other				
ELECTRIC XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX					
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation				
4353	Purchase Costs				
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance				
4359	Other Electric Costs				
HEALTH XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX					
4411	Administration				
4414	Pest Control	7,800	1,450		9,250
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other				
WELFARE XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX					
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	64,000			64,000
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts				
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other				
CULTURE & RECREATION XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX					
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	200,685			200,685
4550-4559	Library	281,522			281,522
4583	Patriotic Purposes	125			125
4589	Other Culture & Recreation				
CONSERVATION XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX					
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources	16,300			16,300
4619	Other Conservation				
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING				
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				
DEBT SERVICE XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX					
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	392,346			392,346
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	122,550	(10,156)		112,394
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000			5,000
4790-4799	Other Debt Service				

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
	CAPITAL OUTLAY	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land				
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	193,842		(39,100)	154,742
4903	Buildings				
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.	20,000			
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund				
4913	To Capital Projects Fund				
4914	To Enterprise Fund				
	Sewer-	796,793		(39,529)	757,264
	Water-				
	Electric-				
	Airport-				
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund				
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917				
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds				
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds				
4919	To Fiduciary Funds				
	TOTAL	10,825,284	48,668	(128,629)	10,725,323

Please use the box below to explain increases or reductions in columns 4 & 5.

Acct #	Explanation for Increases	Acct #	Explanation for Reductions
4130-4139	NHMA dues increase	4332	rate increase
4152	cost of 5 year certification work	4414	NH Humane Society increase
4155-4159	insurance and retirement rate increases	4721	decreased interest
4196	increased insurance rates	4902	one time purchases
4301-4309	airport capital project completed	4914	one time vehicle purchase
4312	union contract wage increase		
4313	cost of bridge engineering		
4324	solid waste disposal rate increase		

**GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Gilford in the County of Belknap, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote on District affairs:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative):

You are hereby notified to meet at the Gilford High School, 88 Alvah Wilson Road, Gilford, New Hampshire on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles number II, III, IV, V, VI, VII and VIII. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations. (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended and (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Voting):

Voting on warrant articles number I through VIII will be conducted by official ballot to be held in conjunction with town meeting voted to be held on **Tuesday, the 10th day of March, 2009, at the Town election polls, Gilford Middle School, 72 Alvah Wilson Road, Gilford, New Hampshire.** Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE I Election of Officers (March 10th only)

To choose the following school district officers:

School District Moderator	1-Year Term
School District Clerk	1-Year Term
School District Treasurer	1-Year Term
School Board Member	3-Year Term
School Board Member	3-Year Term

ARTICLE II General Budget Funds

Shall the Gilford School District vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty Three Million, Three Hundred Sixteen Thousand, Eight Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$23,316,816)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty Four Million, Five Thousand, Two Dollars, (\$24,005,002), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Gilford School District, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Note: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article. (Majority vote is required)

ARTICLE III Collective Bargaining Agreement

Shall the Gilford School District vote to approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Gilford School Board and the Gilford Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2009 – 2010	\$ 214,001
2010 – 2011	\$ 229,954
2011 – 2012	\$ 236,938

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fourteen Thousand One Dollar (\$ 214,001) for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year?
(Majority vote is required)

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

ARTICLE IV Citizen Petition – Gilford High School Varsity Ice Hockey

Shall the Gilford School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand, Two Hundred Fifty Dollars, (\$4,250) to fund the existing Belmont-Gilford Cooperative Ice Hockey Team? The School Board is authorized to expend said appropriation upon confirmation that the Shaker Regional School Board (Belmont) has raised an equal amount. The balance of revenues required to fund the program (approximately \$13,000) shall remain the responsibility of the Belmont – Gilford Ice Hockey Boosters Association. This will be an ongoing annual appropriation and part for the operating budget to be funded from general taxation.
(Submitted by Petition)

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

ARTICLE V Citizen Petition – Full Time Assistant Principal and 4/5 Guidance Counselor at Gilford Elementary School

Shall the Gilford School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thirty One Thousand, Two Hundred and Fifty Six Dollars, (\$131,256), for the purpose of providing the salary and benefits for the Full Time Assistant Principal and 4/5 Guidance Counselor at Gilford Elementary School? The same amount of salary and benefits were reduced in the 2009-10 Proposed District Budget. (Submitted by Petition)

School Board: Not Recommended

Budget Committee: Not Recommended

ARTICLE VI Meadows Privately-Donated Expendable Trust Fund

Shall the Gilford School District vote under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c to authorize the Gilford School Board to accept a private expendable trust for the management, maintenance and improvement of the Meadows Property? Said fund appoints the Gilford School Board as agents to expend the fund. (Majority vote is required)

ARTICLE VII Citizen Petition – Family & Consumer Science Teacher

Shall the Gilford School District vote to require the hiring of a certified Family & Consumer Science teacher at Gilford Middle School and Gilford High School to replace the existing Family & Consumer Science teacher who is retiring at the end of the 2008-09 year? The amount of salary and benefits for this position has not been reduced in the 2009-2010 Proposed School District. (Submitted by Petition)

ARTICLE VIII Citizen Petition – Annual Payroll Report and Annual Vendor Payment Report Published in the Town Report

Shall the Gilford School District vote to have the Gilford School District's Annual Payroll Report and the Annual Vendor Payment Report published in the Town Report, beginning in 2010? Reports will include names and all benefit costs. This article will remain in effect until rescinded by the voters. (Submitted by Petition)

Given under our hands and seals this 19th Day of January, 2009


SUE ALLEN, CHAIRPERSON


MARGO WEEKS, VICE-CHAIRPERSON


KURT WEBBER, CLERK



DEREK TOMLINSON


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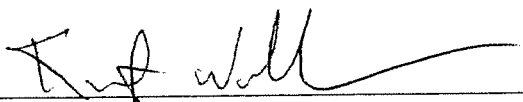
A true copy of Warrant: Attest:



SUE ALLEN, CHAIRPERSON



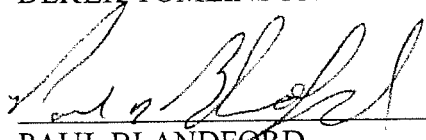
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SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

BUDGET FORM FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24
OF:

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From

IMPORTANT:


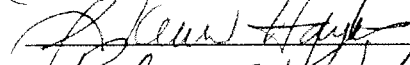
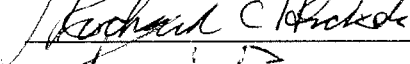
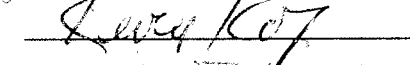
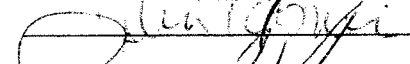
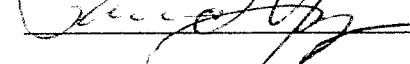

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

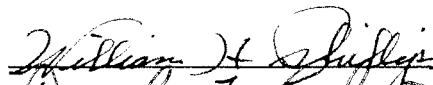
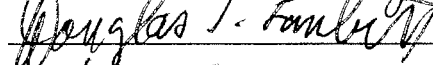
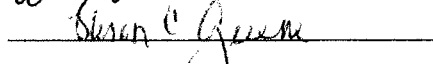
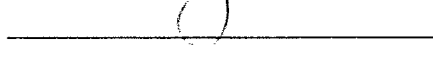

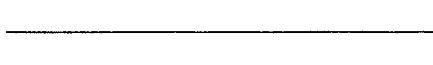

1. Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the above address.

Date: January 13, 2009

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR ART.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/07 to 6/30/08	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	BUDGET COMMITTEE APPROP. ENSUING FISCAL YEAR RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)								
1100-1199	Regular Programs		6,365,127.92	6,622,105	6,343,048	xxxxxxx	6,343,048	xxxxxxx
1200-1299	Special Programs		2,074,962.88	2,478,902	2,440,390	xxxxxxx	2,440,390	xxxxxxx
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		72,828.66	34,580	69,420	xxxxxxx	69,420	xxxxxxx
1400-1499	Other Programs		405,023.39	478,501	491,286	xxxxxxx	491,286	xxxxxxx
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs		0.00	0	0	xxxxxxx	0	xxxxxxx
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs		0.00	0	0	xxxxxxx	0	xxxxxxx
SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)								
2000-2199	Student Support Services		857,250.60	780,290	829,148	xxxxxxx	829,148	xxxxxxx
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services		766,656.26	781,000	795,446	xxxxxxx	795,446	xxxxxxx
General Administration								
2310 840	School Board Contingency		0.00	0	0	xxxxxxx	0	xxxxxxx
2310-2319	Other School Board		70,839.45	74,625	77,185	xxxxxxx	77,185	xxxxxxx
Executive Administration								
2320-310	SAU Management Services		0	0	0	xxxxxxx	0	xxxxxxx
2320-2399	All Other Executive		167,836.50	171,571	172,867	xxxxxxx	172,867	xxxxxxx
2400-2499	School Administration Service		1,067,886.20	1,110,951	1,044,077	xxxxxxx	1,044,077	xxxxxxx
2500-2599	Business		259,818.31	290,784	387,589	xxxxxxx	387,589	xxxxxxx
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		1,601,910.14	2,228,743	2,107,918	xxxxxxx	2,107,918	xxxxxxx
2700-2799	Student Transportation		581,872.93	623,674	648,333	xxxxxxx	648,333	xxxxxxx
2800-2999	Other Support Service		4,606,636.04	5,306,149	5,211,173	xxxxxxx	5,211,173	xxxxxxx
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES		450,430.27	689,658	679,439	xxxxxxx	679,439	xxxxxxx
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION		18,051.50	0	0	xxxxxxx	0	xxxxxxx
OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)								
5110	Debt Service - Principal		1,040,000.00	1,040,000	1,040,000	xxxxxxx	1,040,000	xxxxxxx
5120	Debt Service - Interest		592,965.03	559,750	516,013	xxxxxxx	516,013	xxxxxxx

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR ART.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/07 to 6/30/08	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	BUDGET COMMITTEE APPROP. ENSUING FISCAL YEAR RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
FUND TRANSFERS								
5220-5221	To Food Service		0	1	1		1	
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue-Federal Projects		385,341.60	417,287	463,483		463,483	
5230-5239	To Capital Projects							
5251	To Capital Reserves							
5252	To Expendable Trust (*see below)		100,000.00					
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts							
5254	To Agency Funds							
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.							
	SUPPLEMENTAL							
	DEFICIT							
	SUBTOTAL 1		21,485,437.68	23,688,571	23,316,816	0	23,316,816	0

PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER DETAIL:

* Amount of line 5252 which is for Health Maintenance Trust \$ 0 (see RSA 198:20-c, V)

Help! We ask your assistance in the following: If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	Expenditures for Year 7/1/07 to 6/30/08	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	BUDGET COMMITTEE APPROP ENSUING FISCAL YEAR RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
Acct.#	(RSA 32:3, V)							
1420	GHS Varsity Hockey	0	0	IV	4,250		4,250	
2410	Asst Princ / 4/5 Guidance	0	0	V		131,256		131,256
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXX	4,250	XXXXXXXXXX	4,250	XXXXXXXXXX

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Contingency appropriations; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	Expenditures for Year 7/1/07 to 6/30/08	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	SCHOOL BOARD APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	BUDGET COMMITTEE APPROP ENSUING FISCAL YEAR RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
Acct.#	(RSA 32:3, V)							
1100	CBA Teachers	0	0	III	214,001		214,001	
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXX	214,001	XXXXXXXXXX	214,001	XXXXXXXXXX

Budget - School District of Gilford SAU#73 FY 2009-2010

MS-27

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year 2007-2008	Revised Revenues Current Year 2008-2009	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING FY 2009-2010
REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES			xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
1300-1349	Tuition		2,523,635.04	2,807,626	2,903,841
1400-1449	Transportation Fees		0.00	0	0
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		94,134.00	75,000	75,000
1600-1699	Food Service Sales		343,453.60	644,658	634,439
1700-1799	Student Activities		0.00	0	0
1800-1899	Community Services Activities		0.00	0	0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		471,188.68	175,684	237,388
	Other Local Sources - Rental Fees		12,792.50	5,000	5,000
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
3210	School Building Aid		391,327.41	364,205	364,205
3220	Kindergarten Aid		0.00	0	0
3230	Catastrophic Aid		379,591.83	242,075	266,087
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		0.00	0	0
3250	Adult Education		0.00	0	0
3260	Child Nutrition		5,868.14	3,000	3,000
3270	Driver Education		9,300.00	15,000	15,000
3290-3299	Other State Sources		0.00	0	0
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants		162,479.48	255,818	230,119
4540	Vocational Education		0.00	0	0
4550	Adult Education		0.00	0	0
4560	Child Nutrition		89,748.17	42,000	42,000
4570	Disabilities Programs		222,862.12	161,469	233,364
4580	Medicaid Distribution		69,580.44	55,000	55,000
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)		0.00	0	0
4810	Federal Forest Reserve		0.00	0	0
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes		0.00	0	0
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund		0.00	0	0
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds		0.00	0	0
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds		0.00	0	0
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds		0.00	50,000	0

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MS-27

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year 2007-2008 XXXXXXXXXX	Revised Revenues Current Year 2008-2009 XXXXXXXXXX	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING FY 2009-2010 XXXXXXXXXX
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES CONT.					
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		0.00	0	0
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds		0.00	0	0
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources		0.00	0	0
5140	THIS SECTION FOR CALCULATION OF RAN's (REIMBURSEMENT ANTICIPATION NOTES) PER RSA 198:20-D FOR CATASTROPHIC AID BORROWING RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		0.00	0	0
	Voted From Fund Balance		0.00	0	0
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		0.00	1,243,545	194,285
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			4,775,961.41	6,140,080	5,258,728

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	SCHOOL BOARD RECOMMENDED	BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 3)	23,316,816	23,316,816
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)	4,250	4,250
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)	214,001	214,001
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	23,535,067	23,535,067
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	5,258,728	5,258,728
Less: Amount of Cost of Adequate Education (State Tax/Grant) *	4,493,269	4,493,269
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	13,783,070	13,783,070

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18 :\$
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

*Note: You will also be required to pay a State Education Tax RSA 76:3 and you may be required to pay an additional excess education tax in the amount of \$ _____.

DEFAULT BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL

OF: GILFORD (SAU #73) NH

Fiscal Year From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

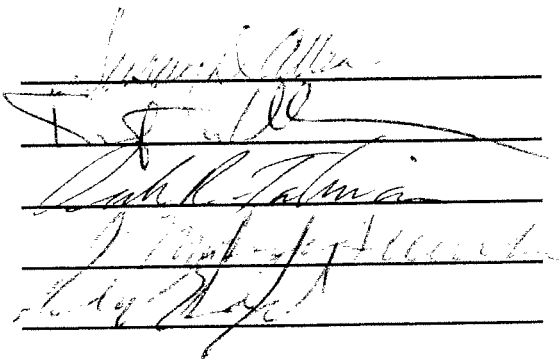
RSA 40:13, IX (b) "Default budget" as used in this subdivision means the amount of the same appropriations as contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year, reduced and increased, as the case may be, by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget. For the purposes of this paragraph, one-time expenditures shall be appropriations not likely to recur in the succeeding budget, as determined by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, of the local political subdivision.

1. Use this form to list the default budget calculation in the appropriate columns.
2. Post this form or any amended version with proposed operating budget (MS-26 or MS-27) and the warrant.
3. Per RSA 40:13, XI, (a), the default budget shall be disclosed at the first budget hearing.

SCHOOL BOARD

or

Budget Committee if RSA 40:14-b is adopted



NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

Default Budget - School District of Gilford (SAU #73) FY 2009-10

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
1100-1199	Regular Programs	6,494,343.00	1,000.00	28,199.00	6,467,144.00
1200-1299	Special Programs	2,473,935.00	41,887.00	0.00	2,515,822.00
1300-1399	Vocational Programs	34,580.00	0.00	0.00	34,580.00
1400-1499	Other Programs	466,697.00	207.00	0.00	466,904.00
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2000-2199	Student Support Services	777,534.00	61,980.00	250.00	839,264.00
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	781,297.00	0.00	2,100.00	779,197.00
General Administration		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2310 840	School Board Contingency	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2310-2319	Other School Board	74,625.00	2,560.00	0.00	77,185.00
Executive Administration		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2320-310	SAU Management Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2320-2399	All Other Administration	171,572.00	0.00	0.00	171,572.00
2400-2499	School Administration Service	1,104,957.00	4,320.00	13,870.00	1,095,407.00
2500-2599	Business	290,796.00	3,321.00	0.00	294,117.00
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant	2,376,661.00	75,780.00	0.00	2,452,441.00
2700-2799	Student Transportation	628,728.00	19,605.00	0.00	648,333.00
2800-2999	Support Service Central & Other	5,306,149.00	157,950.00	0.00	5,464,099.00
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	689,658.00	(10,219.00)	0.00	679,439.00
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5110	Debt Service - Principal	1,040,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,040,000.00
5120	Debt Service - Interest	559,750.00	(43,737.00)	0.00	516,013.00
FUND TRANSFERS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5220-5221	To Food Service	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	417,287.00	46,196.00	0.00	463,483.00
5230-5239	To Capital Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5251	To Capital Reserves	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5252	To Expendable Trust	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00

Default Budget - School District of Gilford (SAU #73) FY 2009-10

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
	FUND TRANSFERS	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5254	To Agency Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	SUPPLEMENTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	DEFICIT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	SUBTOTAL 1	23,688,571.00	360,850.00	44,419.00	24,005,002.00

Please use the box below to explain increases or reductions in columns 4 & 5.

Acct #	Explanation for Increases or Reductions	Acct #	Explanation (Continued)
1100-1199	Increase-Contractual Obligation Instructional Equipment	2600-2699	Increase-Oil/Utility Cost and C/S Agreements
1100-1199	Decrease- New Equipment Requests at GES, GMH and GHS	2600-2699	Decrease - New Equipment Maintenance
1200-1299	Increase-Contracted Services Handicapped Related to Student IEP	2700-2799	Increase - School Bus Contract
1200-1299	Increase- New Textbooks and Replace Equip Related to Student IEP	2800-2999	Increase - Early Retirement Contr. Obligation
1200-1299	Decrease- New Equipment Requests	3000-3999	Decrease - Food Service Obligation
1400-1499	Increase - Contractual Obligation Transportation Contract	5120	Decrease - Debt Service (Interest)
2000-2199	Decrease - New Equipment / Health	5222-5229	Increase - Federal Service Obligation
2000-2199	Increase- Contracted Services Speech Related to Student IEP		
2200-2299	Decrease - New AV Equipment		
2310-2319	Increase - Auditing C/S Services		
2400-2499	Decrease-One Time Expenditure for GHS NEASC Accreditation		
2400-2499	Increase- Telephone Services at GMS		
2500-2599	Increase- Admin Staff Contractual Agreement		

